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Facts and figures with regard to the special procedures in 2017*

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I. Fact sheet on special procedures

Fact sheet 2017

Mandates and mandate holders

56 mandates – **44** thematic and **12** country mandates
1 new mandate established: Special Rapporteur on the elimination of discrimination against persons affected by leprosy and their family members
2 mandates terminated: Independent Experts on the situation of human rights in Haiti and in Cote d'Ivoire
80 active mandate holders
14 mandate holders finished their term in office
15 new mandate holders were appointed
44% of mandate holders are female
56% of mandate holders are male

Communications

534 communications sent to **117** States and **25** non-State actors
61% of United Nations Member States received one or more communications from special procedures
1843 individual cases covered, of which **655** women
484 replies received, of which **365** to communications sent in 2017
68% reply rate to communications sent in 2017
164 communications followed-up by mandate holders
3 communications reports submitted, one to each Human Rights Council session

Country visits

86 country visits to **64** States and territories
118 standing invitations extended by Member States and **1** by a non-Member Observer State
1 standing invitations issued in 2017
167 United Nations Member States have been visited at least once
26 Member States not yet visited

Forums, consultations and expert meetings

2 forums organized – 7th annual forum on Business and Human Rights and 11th annual forum on Minority Issues.
98 Events and consultations organized/attended by mandate holders, including in cooperation with other parts of the United Nations system as well as with regional mechanisms.

Thematic and country visit reports

131 reports submitted to the Human Rights Council, of which **65** country visit reports
39 reports submitted to the General Assembly

Media outreach and public awareness

387 media products released – **283** press releases, **24** media statements and **80** media advisories.
3 press releases and public statements issued by the Coordination Committee of Special Procedures.

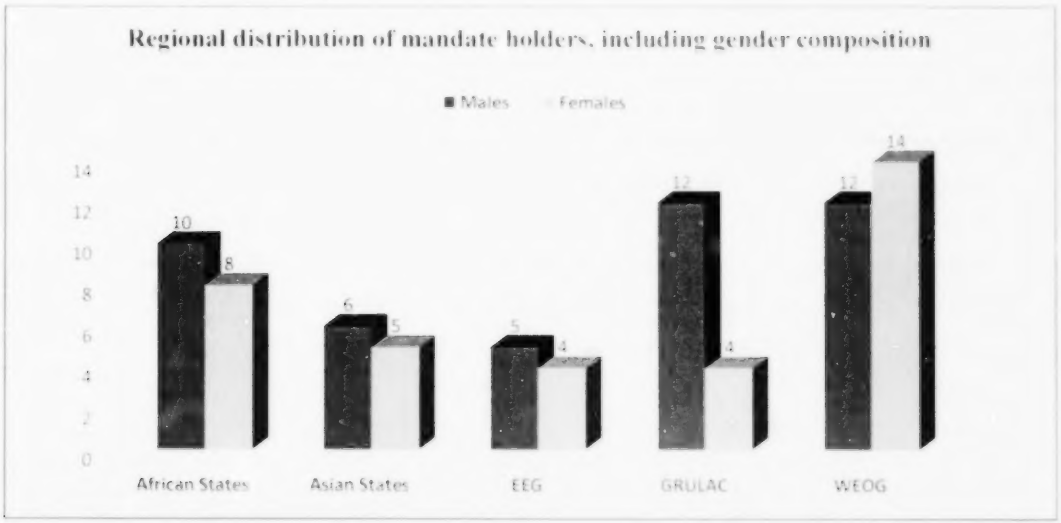
Engagement with other parts of the United Nations system and regional mechanisms

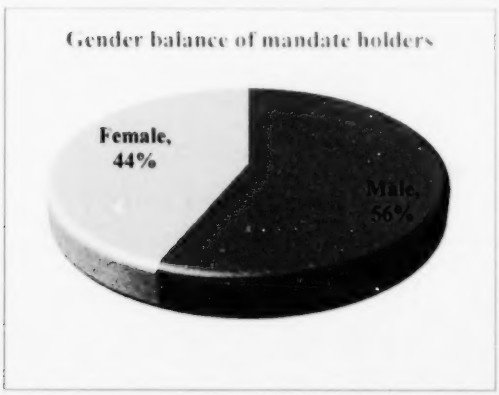
Special procedures mandate holders engaged and/or undertook joint activities with the Treaty Bodies, Universal Periodic Review, OHCHR, UNHCR, Executive Office of the SG, ASG for Human Rights, Special Adviser of the SG on the Prevention of Genocide, Special Adviser of the SG on the Responsibility to Protect, Special Envoy of the Secretary-General on Disability and Accessibility, Special Representative of the SG on Violence against Children, OCHA, DPA, DPKO, DPI, Security Council, UN Counter-Terrorism Committee, United Nations Statistical Division, Commission on the Status of Women, Commission on Social Development, various DPKO missions including MINUSMA and UNAMI, UN Country Teams, UNDP, Inter-Agency Standing Committee, UNDSS, UN Women, UNESCO, WHO, UNAIDS, ILO, UNICEF, IOM, UNFPA, UNECE, ECLAC, UN Development Group - Human Rights Working Group, UNCTAD, FAO, United Nations Partnership to Promote the rights of persons with disabilities, UN-Water, UNWRA, WFP, UNEP, IMF, World Bank, the Inter-Agency and Expert Group on Sustainable Development Goal Indicators. Special procedures mandate holders engaged and/or undertook joint activities with regional mechanisms, including the European Union (EU Fundamental Rights Agency), Council of Europe, Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe, Inter-American system (Inter-American Court of Human Rights, Inter-American Commission on Human Rights), Organization of American States, African Union (African Commission on Human and People's Rights.

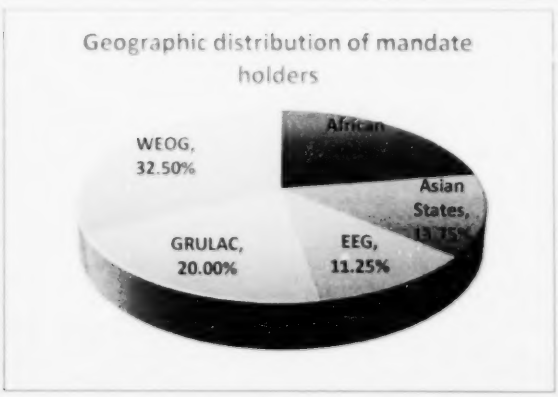
II. Statistics on current mandate holders (as at 31 December 2017)*

United Nations Regional Groups of Member States	Male	Female	Total	Geographic distribution
African Group	10	8	18	22.50%
Asian-Pacific Group	6	5	11	13.75%
Eastern European Group (EEG)	5	4	9	11.25%
Latin American and Caribbean Group (GRULAC)	12	4	16	20.00%
Western European and Others Group (WEOG)	12	14	26	32.50%
Total	45	35	80	100.00%
Gender balance	56%	44%	100%	

*includes the new mandate holder of Independent Expert on protection against violence and discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity







III. Overview of standing invitations

A standing invitation is an open invitation extended by a Government to all thematic special procedures. By extending a standing invitation States announce that they will always accept requests for visits from all special procedures. As at 31 December 2017, out of the 193 United Nations Member States, the following 118 Member States (61 %) as well as one non-Member Observer State had extended a standing invitation to the thematic special procedures.

Countries	Date	Countries	Date
Afghanistan	15 August 2017	**Liechtenstein**	21 January 2003
Albania	2 December 2009	**Lithuania**	March 2001
Andorra	3 November 2010	**Luxembourg**	March 2001
Argentina	3 December 2002	**Madagascar**	26 August 2011
Armenia	1 May 2006	**Malawi**	7 September 2015
Australia	7 August 2008	**Maldives**	2 May 2006
Austria	March 2001	**Malta**	March 2001
Azerbaijan	15 April 2013	**Marshall Islands**	4 March 2011
Bahamas	6 June 2013	**Mexico**	March 2001
Belgium	March 2001	**Monaco**	22 October 2008
Benin	31 October 2012	**Mongolia**	9 April 2004
Bolivia	10 February 2010	**Montenegro**	11 October 2005
Bosnia and Herzegovina	7 May 2010	**Mozambique**	**12 April 2016**
Brazil	10 December 2001	**Nauru**	30 May 2011
Bulgaria	March 2001	**Netherlands**	March 2001
Burundi	6 June 2013	**New Zealand**	3 February 2004
Cameroon	15 September 2014	**Nicaragua**	26 April 2006
Canada	April 1999	**Niger**	21 August 2012
Cape Verde	26 April 2013	**Nigeria**	25 October 2013
Central African Republic	3 September 2013	**Norway**	26 March 1999
Chad	1 June 2012	**Occupied Palestinian Territories (non-Member Observer State)**	30 July 2014
Chile	12 May 2009	**Palau**	3 May 2011
Colombia	17 March 2003	**Panama**	14 March 2011
Costa Rica	2002	**Papua New Guinea**	11 May 2011
Croatia	13 March 2003	**Paraguay**	28 March 2003
Cyprus	March 2001	**Peru**	3 April 2002
Czech Republic	September 2000	**Poland**	March 2001
Denmark	March 2001	**Portugal**	March 2001
Dominica	9 December 2009	**Qatar**	1 June 2010

Ecuador	9 January 2003	**Republic of Korea**	3 March 2008
El Salvador	9 February 2010	**Republic of Moldova**	2 June 2010
Estonia	March 2001	**Romania**	March 2001
Fiji	17 March 2015	**Rwanda**	27 June 2011
Finland	March 2001	**Samoa**	14 February 2011
France	March 2001	**San Marino**	3 April 2003
Gabon	29 October 2012	**Sao Tome and Principe**	2 February 2011
Georgia	30 March 2010	**Serbia**	11 October 2005
Germany	March 2001	**Seychelles**	5 November 2012
Ghana	21 April 2006	**Sierra Leone**	7 April 2003
Greece	March 2001	**Slovakia**	March 2001
Guatemala	April 2001	**Slovenia**	March 2001
Guinea-Bissau	7 May 2010	**Solomon Islands**	6 May 2011
Honduras	12 May 2010	**Somalia**	13 April 2016
Hungary	March 2001	**South Africa**	17 July 2003
Iceland	September 2000	**Spain**	March 2001
India	14 September 2011	**Sri Lanka**	17 December 2015
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	24 July 2002	**Sweden**	March 2001
Iraq	16 February 2010	**Switzerland**	1 April 2002
Ireland	March 2001	**Thailand**	4 November 2011
Italy	March 2001	**The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia**	13 October 2004
Japan	1 March 2011	**Tonga**	25 January 2013
Jordan	20 April 2006	**Tunisia**	28 February 2011
Kazakhstan	28 July 2009	**Turkey**	March 2001
Kenya	22 January 2015	**Tuvalu**	26 April 2013
Kuwait	13 September 2010	**Ukraine**	23 June 2006
Latvia	March 2001	**United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland**	March 2001
Lebanon	17 March 2011	**Uruguay**	18 March 2005
Lesotho	21 January 2015	**Vanuatu**	12 May 2009
Liberia	25 September 2015	**Zambia**	16 July 2008
Libya	15 March 2012		

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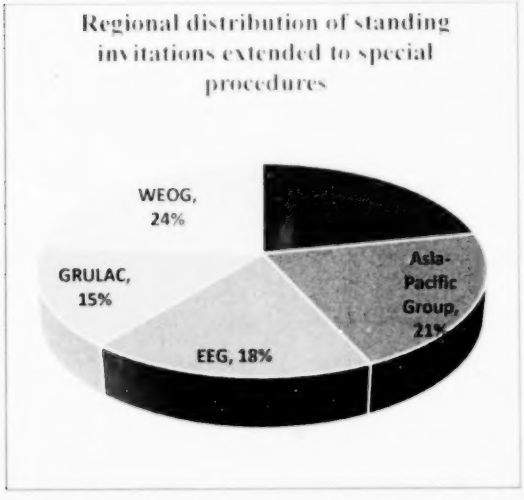
Standing Invitations for Country Visits to the Special Procedures of the Human Rights Council
Last Updated: 31 December 2017*

Definition and meta-data: http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Issues/HRIndicators/MetadataStandingInvitations.pdf
Source: Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, List of Standing Invitations to Special Procedures, December 2017
For other relevant information on the activities of the Special Procedures, see the Annual Facts and Figures: http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/SP/Pages/Publications.aspx#annual

Note: The boundaries and the names shown and the designations used on these maps do not imply official endorsement or acceptance by the United Nations.
Dotted line represents approximately the Line of Control in Jammu and Kashmir agreed upon by India and Pakistan. The final status of Jammu and Kashmir has not yet been agreed upon by the parties.

Statistics on standing invitations

United Nations Regional Groups of Member States	Number of standing invitations extended by States within their regional group	Percentage of standing invitations extended within regional groups	Percentage of standing invitations extended by regional groups
African Group	26 out of 54 States	48 %	22%
Asia-Pacific Group	25 out of 53 States	47 %	21%
EEG	21 out of 23 States	91 %	18%
GRULAC	18 out of 33 States	55 %	15%
WEOG	28 out of 30 States	93%	24%
Total	**118 out of 193 United Nations Member States**		**100%**



Standing invitations extended in 2017	
Afghanistan	15 August 2017

NB. The State of Palestine, accorded non-Member Observer status on 29 November 2012 by General Assembly resolution 67/19, extended a standing invitation to the special procedures on 4 July 2014.

IV. Overview of country and other official visits conducted in 2017

States and territories visited	Mandate	Dates	Report
Albania	Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief	8 to 17 May	A/HRC/37/49/Add.3
Argentina	Independent Expert on protection against violence and discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity	1 to 10 March	38th HRC session (June 2018)
	Working Group on arbitrary detention	8 to 18 May	39th HRC session (September 2018)
Armenia	Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health	25 September to 5 October	38th HRC session (June 2018)
Australia	Special Rapporteur on violence against women, its causes and consequences	13 to 27 February	38th HRC session (June 2018)
	Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples	20 March to 3 April	A/HRC/36/46/Add.2
Bahamas	Special Rapporteur on violence against women, its causes and consequences	4 to 18 October	38th HRC session (June 2018)
Bangladesh	Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar	20 to 23 February	A/HRC/34/67 (see also end-of-mission statement)
Brussels/EU	Special Rapporteur on the negative impact of the unilateral coercive measures on the enjoyment of human rights	19 to 22 June	39th HRC session (September 2018)
Cambodia	Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Cambodia	8 to 18 August	39th HRC session (September 2018)
Central African Republic	Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in Central African Republic	25 January to 3 February	A/HRC/36/64
	Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in Central African Republic	7 to 16 June	A/HRC/36/64
Chad	Working Group on the issue of discrimination against women in law and in practice	4 to 14 December	38th HRC session (June 2018)
Chile	Special Rapporteur on adequate housing as a component of the right to an adequate standard of living, and on the right to non-discrimination in this context	20 to 28 April	A/HRC/37/53/Add.1

Côte d'Ivoire	Independent Expert on capacity-building and technical cooperation with Côte d'Ivoire	10 to 17 January	A/HRC/35/43
	Independent Expert on capacity-building and technical cooperation with Côte d'Ivoire	13 to 16 June	A/HRC/35/43 (see also oral presentation to the HRC at its 35th session)
	Special Rapporteur on the right to education	4 to 11 December	38th HRC session (June 2018)
Cuba	Special Rapporteur on trafficking in persons, especially women and children	10 to 14 April	38th HRC session (June 2018)
	Independent Expert on human rights and international solidarity	10 to 14 July	38th HRC session (June 2018)
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	Special Rapporteur on the rights of persons with disabilities	3 to 8 May	A/HRC/37/56/Add.1
	Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea	17 to 21 July	A/HRC/37/69
Denmark	Special Rapporteur on the implications for human rights of the environmentally sound management and disposal of hazardous substances and wastes	2 to 13 October	39th HRC session (September 2018)
Dominican Republic	Special Rapporteur on the sale and sexual exploitation of children, including child prostitution, child pornography and other child sexual abuse material	8 to 15 May	A/HRC/37/60/Add.1
Ecuador	Independent expert on the promotion of a democratic and equitable international order	5 to 8 December	39th HRC session (September 2018)
El Salvador	Special Rapporteur on the human rights of internally displaced persons	14 to 18 August	38th HRC session (June 2018)
Fiji	Independent Expert on the enjoyment of human rights of persons with albinism	27 November to 7 December	40th HRC session (March 2019)
France	Special Rapporteur on the rights of persons with disabilities	3 to 13 October	40th HRC session (March 2019)
	Special Rapporteur on the right to privacy	13 to 17 November	40th HRC session (March 2019)
Gambia	Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances	12 to 19 June	39th HRC session (September 2018)
Germany	Working Group of Experts on People of African Descent	20 to 27 February	A/HRC/36/60/Add.2

Ghana	Working Group on the use of **mercenaries** as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination	8 to 15 December	39th HRC session (September 2018)
Guyana	Working Group of Experts on people of African descent	2 to 6 October	39th HRC session (September 2018)
Haiti	Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in Haiti	28 February to 11 March	A/HRC/34/73 (see also oral presentation at the HRC at its 34th session)
India	Special Rapporteur on the human rights to safe drinking water and sanitation	27 October to 10 November	39th HRC session (September 2018)
Indonesia	Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health	22 March to 3 April	38th HRC session (June 2018)
Iraq	Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions	14 to 23 November	38th HRC session (June 2018)
Italy	Special Rapporteur on violence against women, its causes and consequences	15 to 26 January	38th HRC session (June 2018)
Italy/EU	Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions	10 to 19 May	38th HRC session (June 2018)
Japan	Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea	11 to 16 December	A/HRC/37/69
Jordan	Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Palestinian territories occupied since 1967	15 to 19 May	A/HRC/37/75
Kazakhstan	Special Rapporteur on the rights of persons with disabilities	4 to 12 September	A/HRC/37/56/Add.2
Lao People's Republic	Special Rapporteur on the sale and sexual exploitation of children, including child prostitution, child pornography and other child sexual abuse material	8 to 16 November	40th HRC session (March 2019)
Malaysia	Special Rapporteur in the field of cultural rights	11 to 22 September	40th HRC session (March 2019)
Mali	Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in Mali	27 February to 8 March	A/HRC/37/78 (and addendum)
	Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in Mali	27 November to 1 December	A/HRC/37/78
Mexico	Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights defenders	16 to 24 January	A/HRC/37/51/Add.2

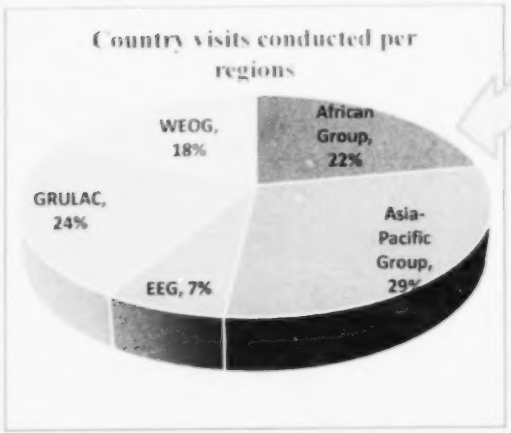
	Special Rapporteur on the human rights to safe drinking water and sanitation	2 to 12 May	A/HRC/36/45/Add.2
	Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples	8 to 17 November	39th HRC session (September 2018)
	Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of the right to freedom of opinion and expression	27 November to 4 December	38th HRC session (June 2018)
Mongolia	Special Rapporteur on the issue of human rights obligations relating to the enjoyment of a safe, clean, healthy and sustainable environment	19 to 27 September	A/HRC/37/58/Add.2
Myanmar	Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar	9 to 21 January	A/HRC/34/62
	Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar	10 to 21 July	A/72/382
Namibia	Independent Expert on the enjoyment of all human rights by older persons	2 to 13 March	39th HRC session (September 2018)
Panama	Independent expert on the effects of foreign debt and other related international financial obligations of States on the full enjoyment of human rights, particularly economic, social and cultural rights	2 to 10 May	A/HRC/37/54/Add.2
Paraguay	Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of slavery, including its causes and consequences	17 to 24 July	39th HRC session (September 2018)
Peru	Working Group on the issue of human rights and transnational corporations and other business enterprises	10 to 19 July	38th HRC session (June 2018)
Poland	Special Rapporteur on the independence of judges and lawyers	23 to 27 October	38th HRC session (June 2018)
Republic of Korea	Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea	11 to 16 December	A/HRC/37/69
Russian Federation	Special Rapporteur on the negative impact of the unilateral coercive measures on the enjoyment of human rights	24 to 28 April	A/HRC/36/44/Add.1
Samoa	Working Group on the issue of discrimination against women in law and in practice	8 to 18 August	38th HRC session (June 2018)
Saudi Arabia	Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty and human rights	8 to 19 January	A/HRC/35/26/Add.3
	Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of human rights and	30 April to 4 May	A/HRC/37/52/Add.2

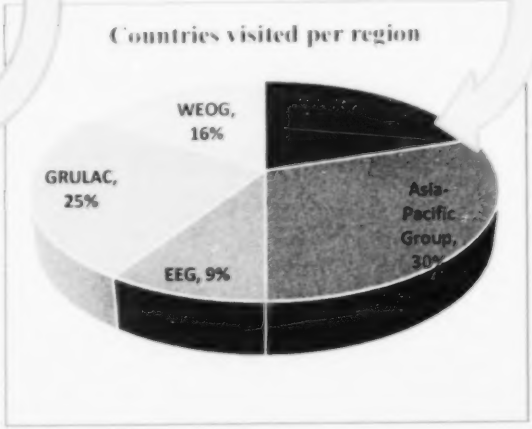
	fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism		
Serbia	Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment	13 to 24 November	40th HRC session (March 2019)
Sierra Leone	Special Rapporteur on the implications for human rights of the environmentally sound management and disposal of hazardous substances and wastes	14 to 25 August	39th HRC session (September 2018)
Sri Lanka	Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism	10 to 14 July	A/HRC/37/52/Add.3
	Special Rapporteur on the promotion of truth, justice, reparation & guarantees of non-recurrence	10 to 23 October	39th HRC session (September 2018)
	Working Group on Arbitrary Detention	4 to 15 December	39th HRC session (September 2018)
Sudan	Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in the Sudan	10 to 22 February	39th HRC session (September 2018)
	Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in the Sudan	11 to 21 May	39th HRC session (September 2018)
	Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances	20 to 29 November	39th HRC session (September 2018)
Switzerland	Independent expert on the effects of foreign debt and other related international financial obligations of States on the full enjoyment of human rights, particularly economic, social and cultural rights	25 September to 4 October	A/HRC/37/54/Add.3
Tanzania	Independent Expert on the enjoyment of human rights of persons with albinism	18 to 28 July	A/HRC/37/57/Add.1
Tunisia	Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism	30 January to 3 February	A/HRC/37/52/Add.1
	Independent expert on the effects of foreign debt and other related international financial obligations of States on the full enjoyment of human rights, particularly economic, social and cultural rights	20 to 28 February	A/HRC/37/54/Add.1
United Kingdom	Special Rapporteur on the implications for human rights of the environmentally sound management	17 to 31 January	A/HRC/36/41/Add.1

	and disposal of hazardous substances and wastes		
United States of America	Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples	22 February to 3 March	A/HRC/36/46/Add.1
	Special Rapporteur on the right to privacy	19 to 27 June	A/HRC/37/62/Add.1
	Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty and human rights	1 to 15 December	38th HRC session (June 2018)
Uruguay	Special Rapporteur on the issue of human rights obligations relating to the enjoyment of a safe, clean, healthy and sustainable environment	24 to 28 April	A/HRC/37/58/Add.1
Uzbekistan	Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief	2 to 12 October	A/HRC/37/49/Add.2
Venezuela	Independent expert on the promotion of a democratic and equitable international order	27 November to 4 December	39th HRC session (September 2018)
Vietnam	Special Rapporteur on the right to food	13 to 24 November	40th HRC session (March 2019)
Zambia	Special Rapporteur on the right to food	3 to 12 May	A/HRC/37/61/Add.1

Statistics on country visits conducted in 2017

United Nations Regional Groups of Member States	Number of country visits conducted*	Number of countries visited**
African Group	20	13
Asia-Pacific Group	25	19
EEG	6	6
GRULAC	20	16
WEOG	15	10
Total	**86**	**64**





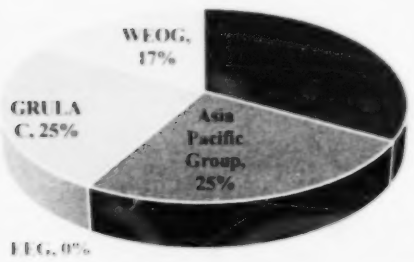
* Distribution of visits by region out of the total number of visits

** Distribution of countries visited by region

V. Overview of States not yet visited by any mandate holder

As at 31 December 2017, out of the 193 United Nations Member States, 169 States (87.6 %) have been visited by at least one special procedures mandate holder. A total of 24 States (12.4 %) have never been visited; 9 States have not yet received any request, 12 States have not yet accepted any request and 3 States have accepted requests for visit., however, they had not yet taken place as of 31 December 2017.

Regional division of U N Member States not yet visited by any mandate (of the 24 in total)



States never visited, no request sent (9 in total)	States never visited, request(s) sent (15 in total)
Andorra	Barbados
Antigua and Barbuda	Djibouti[a]
Brunei Darussalam	Eritrea
Dominica	Grenada
Monaco	Guinea
Palau	Lesotho[e]
Saint Kitts and Nevis	Libya[b]
Saint Lucia	Luxembourg[c]
San Marino	Micronesia
	Nauru[d]
	Sao Tome e Principe
	Swaziland
	Tonga
	Vanuatu
	Zimbabwe

a Djibouti has been visited by the mandate holders on the situation of human rights in Somalia (2011) and in Eritrea (2013) but has not yet accepted a visit from other mandate holders concerning its human rights situation.

b Libya accepted requests for country visits from several mandate holders; however all missions to the country had been postponed for security reasons until further notice. The Special Rapporteur on the rights of internally displaced persons conducted a visit to the country in January 2018.

c Luxembourg accepted a visit request from the Special Rapporteur on trafficking in persons, especially women and children in 2015 (postponed cancelled by mandate holder due to prior engagements). The request of the Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty in 2015 has not received a response.

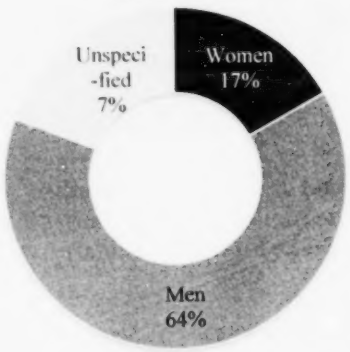
d The Special Rapporteur on the situation of migrants visited off-shore detention centers in Nauru during his country visit to Australia from 1 to 18 November 2016.

e Lesotho has accepted the visit of the Special Rapporteur on the rights to water and sanitation 2018/2019 (dates to be agreed).

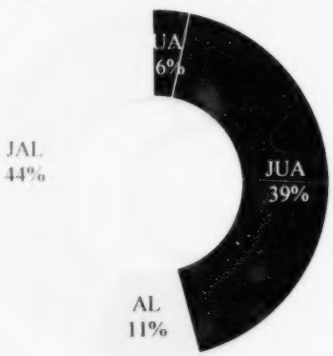
VI. Statistics on communications (2017)

25	Communications sent to Non-State actors
92	Communications related to legislation
117	Countries received at least one communication
164	Communications followed up by mandate holders
365	Replies received to communications sent in 2017
484	Replies received in 2017
423	Joint communications by two or more mandate holders
534	Communications sent
1843	Individuals covered, of which **655** were identified as female.

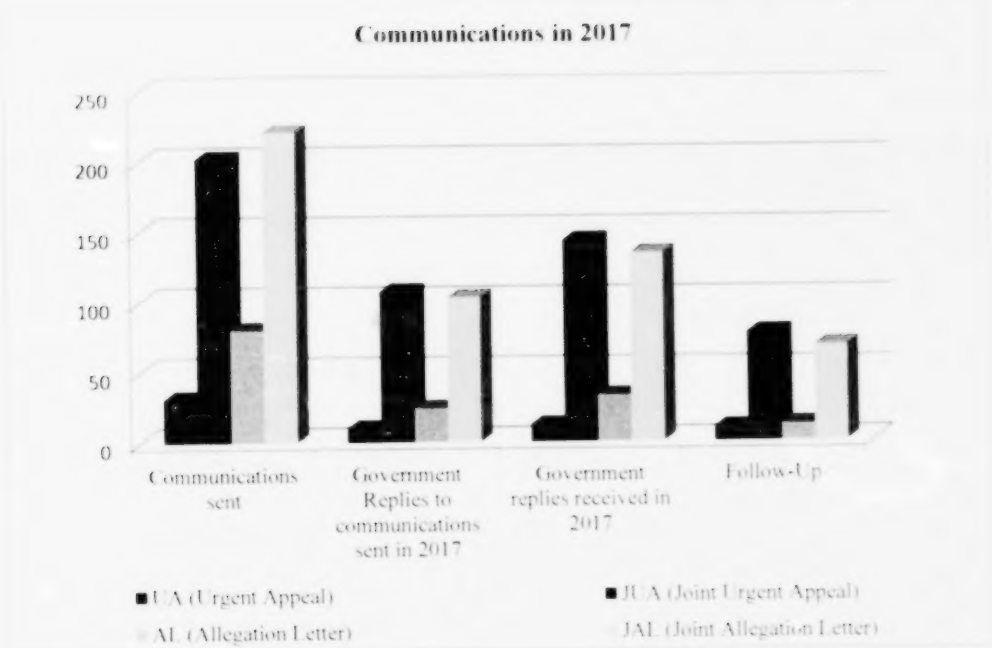
Gender of individuals concerned



Communications sent by mandate holders by type



- UA = Urgent Appeal
- JUA = Joint Urgent Appeal
- AL = Allegation Letter
- JAL = Joint Allegation Letter


Communications in 2017
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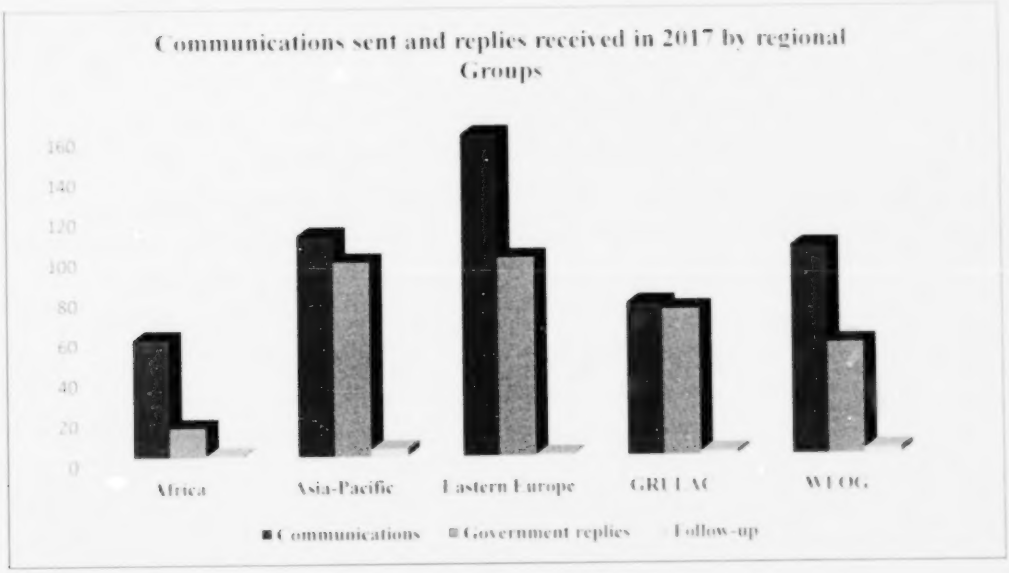
200
150
100
50
0
Communications sent
Government Replies to communications sent in 2017
Government replies received in 2017
Follow-Up
UA (Urgent Appeal)
JUA (Joint Urgent Appeal)
AL (Allegation Letter)
JAL (Joint Allegation Letter)


Communications sent and replies received in 2017 by regional Groups
160
140
120
100
80
60
40
20
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Africa
Asia-Pacific
Eastern Europe
GRULAC
WEOG
Communications
Government replies
Follow-up

VII. Themes addressed in reports of special procedures (2017)

Thematic mandates

Mandate	Title and/or theme of the report (symbol number)
Working Group of Experts on People of **African Descent**	Leaving no one behind: people of African descent and the Sustainable Development Goals **(A/HRC/36/60)** Report A/HRC/36/60 drawn to the attention of the GA **(A/72/319)**
Independent Expert on the enjoyment of human rights by persons with **albinism**	Witchcraft and the human rights of persons with albinism **(A/HRC/34/59)** Applicable international human rights standards and related obligations addressing the issues faced by persons with albinism **(A/72/131)**
Working Group on **Arbitrary Detention**	Deprivation of liberty on discriminatory grounds. **(A/HRC/36/37)**
Working Group on the issue of human rights and transnational corporations and other **business** enterprises	Small and medium-sized enterprises in the implementation of the Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights **(A/HRC/35/32)** Study on best practices and how to improve on the effectiveness of cross-border cooperation between States with respect to law enforcement on the issue of business and human rights **(A/HRC/35/33)** Access to effective remedies under the Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights: Implementing the United Nations Protect, Respect and Remedy Framework **(A/72/162)**
Special Rapporteur in the field of **cultural rights**	The impact of fundamentalism and extremism on the enjoyment of cultural rights **(A/HRC/34/56)** The impact of fundamentalism and extremism on the cultural rights of women **(A/72/155)**
Special Rapporteur on the right to **development**	Preliminary views concerning the background and context of the mandate, highlights of the challenges for its implementation and preliminary strategy outline to inform the Special Rapporteur's work under the mandate. **(A/HRC/36/49)** Given the brief period since his appointment and the timing of the reporting cycle, the Special Rapporteur has submitted his report to the Human Rights Council (A/HRC/36/49) to the General Assembly **(A/72/163)**
Special Rapporteur on the rights of persons with **disabilities**	Access to rights-based support for persons with disabilities **(A/HRC/34/58)** Sexual and reproductive health and rights of girls and young women with disabilities **(A/72/133)**
Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary **Disappearances**	Enforced disappearances in the context of migration **(A/HRC/36/39)**
Special Rapporteur on the right to **education**	Realizing the right to education through non-formal education **(A/HRC/35/24)** The role of equity and inclusion in strengthening the right to education, in particular in the context of achieving the Sustainable Development Goals **(A/72/496)**
Special Rapporteur on the issue of human rights obligations relating to the enjoyment of a safe, clean, healthy and sustainable **environment**	Human rights obligations relating to the conservation and sustainable use of biological diversity **(A/HRC/34/49)**

Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary **executions**	A gender-sensitive approach to arbitrary killings (**A/HRC/35/23**) Unlawful death of refugees and migrants (**A/72/335**)
Special Rapporteur on the right to **food**	Global pesticide use in agriculture and its impact on the right to food (**A/HRC/34/48**) The right to food in conflict situations (**A/72/188**)
Independent Expert on the effects of **foreign debt** and other related international financial obligations of States on the full enjoyment of all human rights, particularly economic, social and cultural rights	Structural adjustment and labour structural adjustment and labour rights (**A/HRC/34/57**) Policy response to the financial crisis affecting several EU member (**A/HRC/34/57/Add.1**) Debt disputes, international investment arbitration and human rights (**A/72/153**)
Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of the right to **freedom of opinion and expression**	The role of digital access providers (**A/HRC/35/22**) Access to information in international organizations (**A/72/350**)
Special Rapporteur on the rights to **freedom of peaceful assembly and of association**	Successes and achievements of civil society (**A/HRC/35/28**) Vision of the mandate (**A/72/135**)
Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental **health**	The right of everyone to mental health (**A/HRC/35/21**) Corruption and the right to health (**A/72/137**)
Special Rapporteur on adequate **housing** as a component of the right to an adequate standard of living, and on the right to non-discrimination in this context	Financialization of housing and the right to adequate housing (**A/HRC/34/51**) The right to adequate housing of persons with disabilities (**A/72/128**)
Special Rapporteur on the situation of **human rights defenders**	Work in progress, challenges and the way forward (**A/HRC/34/52**) Work of human rights defenders in the field of business and human rights (**A/72/170**)
Special Rapporteur on the **independence of judges and lawyers**	Perspectives on the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the independence of judges and lawyers (**A/HRC/35/31**) Protecting the independence of lawyers and the legal profession (**A/72/140**)
Special Rapporteur on the rights of **indigenous peoples**	Impacts of climate change and climate finance on indigenous peoples' rights (**A/HRC/36/46**) Assessment of the implementation of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples on the occasion of its tenth anniversary (**A/72/186**)
Special Rapporteur on the human rights of **internally displaced persons**	Roadmap for the next three years: thematic priorities of the new mandate-holder (**A/HRC/35/27**) Thematic priorities and enhancing the participation of IDPs (**A/72/202**)
Independent Expert on the promotion of a democratic and equitable **international order**	The adverse impact of World Bank policies on human rights and the realisation of a democratic and equitable international order (**A/HRC/36/40**) Human rights impact of IMF policies and practice (**A/72/187**)
Independent Expert on human rights and **international solidarity**	Highlights of the work of the mandate since its establishment in 2005 (**A/HRC/35/35**) Outlining the draft declaration on the right to international solidarity (**A/72/171**)

Working Group on the use of **mercenaries** as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination	Overview of the findings of a global study conducted from 2013 to 2016 on the national legislation on private military and security companies in 60 States from all the regions of the world **(A/HRC/36/47)** The use of private security companies in places of deprivation of liberty, with attention given to the resulting impact on human rights **(A/72/286)**
Special Rapporteur on the human rights of **migrants**	Human rights of migrants on a 2035 agenda for facilitating human mobility **(A/HRC/35/25)** 2035 agenda for facilitating human mobility **(A/72/173)**
Special Rapporteur on **minority issues**	Reflections on the six-year tenure of the Special Rapporteur **(A/HRC/34/53)** Reflection on her six-year tenure as Special Rapporteur on minority issues **(A/72/165)**
Independent Expert on the enjoyment of all human rights by **older persons**	Robots and rights: the impact of automation on the human rights of older persons **(A/HRC/36/48)**
Special Rapporteur on extreme **poverty** and human rights	Universal basic income **(A/HRC/35/26)** The enjoyment of civil and political rights by persons living in poverty **(A/72/502)**
Special Rapporteur on the right to **privacy**	Governmental surveillance activities from a national and international perspective **(A/HRC/34/60)** Report on the work of the Big Data Open Data Taskforce **(A/72/540)**
Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of **racism**, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance	Thematic work of the mandate, in particular during the past six years and the challenges of combating racism, xenophobia and discrimination in the current context of countering terrorism **(A/HRC/35/41)** The continuing human rights and democratic challenges posed by extremist political parties, movements and groups **(A/HRC/35/42)** Challenges linked to combating racism, xenophobia and discrimination in the current counter-terrorism context **(A/72/287)** Combating glorification of Nazism and other practices that contribute to fuelling contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance pursuant to GA resolution 71/179 **(A/72/291)**
Special Rapporteur on freedom of **religion or belief**	Perspective and vision for the mandate by new Special Rapporteur **(A/HRC/34/50)** The increase in religious intolerance worldwide and the gap between international commitments to combat intolerant acts and national practices **(A/72/365)**
Special Rapporteur on **the sale and sexual exploitation of children**, including child prostitution, child pornography and other child sexual abuse material	Illegal adoptions **(A/HRC/34/55)** The vulnerabilities of children to sale, trafficking, and other forms of exploitation in situations of conflict and humanitarian crisis. **(A/72/164)**
Independent Expert on protection against violence and discrimination based on **sexual orientation and gender identity**	Diversity in humanity, humanity in diversity **(A/HRC/35/36)** Embrace diversity and energize humanity **(A/72/172)**
Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of **slavery**, including its causes and consequences	Access to justice and remedy **(A/HRC/36/43)** Slavery and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development **(A/72/139)**

Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of human rights while countering **terrorism**	Recent developments and thematic updates (**A/HRC/34/61**) Areas of interest of the newly appointed Special Rapporteur (**A/72/495**)
Special Rapporteur on **torture** and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment	Overview of the activities of the mandate during the reporting cycle (**A/HRC/34/54**) Extra-custodial use of force and the prohibition of torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment and how the prohibition of torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment applies to the development, acquisition, trade and use of weapons in law enforcement (**A/72/178**)
Special Rapporteur on **trafficking** in persons, especially women and children	Strengthening voluntary standards for businesses on preventing and combating trafficking in persons and labour exploitation, especially in supply chains (**A/HRC/35/37**) The vulnerabilities of children to sale, trafficking, and other forms of exploitation in situations of conflict and humanitarian crisis (**A/72/164**)
Special Rapporteur on the promotion of **truth**, justice, reparation and guarantees of non-recurrence	The participation of victims in transitional justice measures (**A/HRC/34/62**) Transitional justice in weakly institutionalized post-conflict settings (**A/HRC/36/50**) A comprehensive framework approach to prevention (**A/72/523**)
Special Rapporteur on the negative impact of **unilateral coercive measures** on the enjoyment of human rights	The issues of remedies and redress for victims of unilateral coercive measures (**A/HRC/36/44**) Key developments regarding unilateral sanctions applied to certain countries and addresses certain aspects of the issue of extraterritoriality in relation to unilateral sanctions (**A/72/370**)
Special Rapporteur on **violence against women**, its causes and consequences	Key elements of a human rights-based approach to integrated services and protection measures on violence against women, with a focus on shelters and protection orders (**A/HRC/35/30**) Adequacy of the international legal framework on violence against women (**A/72/134**)
Special Rapporteur on the implications for human rights of the environmentally sound management and disposal of hazardous substances and **wastes**	Guidelines for good practices in relation to the human rights obligations related to the environmentally sound management and disposal of hazardous substances and wastes (**A/HRC/36/41**)
Special Rapporteur on the human rights to safe drinking **water and sanitation**	Service regulation and its role in the progressive realization of the human rights to water and sanitation (**A/HRC/36/45**) The contribution of funders to the realization of the human rights to water and sanitation and response to related challenges and gaps. (**A/72/127**)
Working Group on the issue of **discrimination against women** in law and in practice	Compendium of good practices in the elimination of discrimination against women (**A/HRC/35/29**)

Country mandates

Mandate	Title and/or theme of the report (symbol number)
Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in **Belarus**	Return of the Government of Belarus to the policy of large-scale repression against citizens who exercise or defend their rights. **(A/HRC/35/40)** Relationship between the unique features of governance of Belarus and its situation of human rights **(A/72/493)**
Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in **Cambodia**	Report of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Cambodia **(A/HRC/36/61)**
Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in **Central African Republic**	Report of the Independent Expert on the overall evolution of the human rights situation in the Central African Republic and the major developments affecting it. **(A/HRC/33/63)**
Independent Expert on the enhancement of capacity-building and technical cooperation with **Côte d'Ivoire** in the field of human rights	Report of the Independent Expert on the enhancement of capacity-building and technical cooperation with Côte d'Ivoire in the field of human rights – final report **(A/HRC/35/43)**
Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the **Democratic People's Republic of Korea**	Report of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea **(A/HRC/34/66)** Report of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea **(A/72/394)**
Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in **Eritrea**	Report of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Eritrea; information about her activities, relevant regional developments, the situation of Eritreans fleeing their home country and Eritrea's engagement with the international community **(A/HRC/35/39)**
Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in **Haiti**	Report of the Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in Haiti - five key aspects of the human rights situation in Haiti **(A/HRC/34/73)**
Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of **Iran**	Report of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran; developments in the human rights situation that have transpired since the submission of the report of the previous mandate holder to the General Assembly at its 71st session in November 2016 **(A/HRC/34/65)** Report of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran GA report missing **(A/72/322)**
Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in **Mali**	Report of the Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in Mali **(A/HRC/34/72)**
Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in **Myanmar**	Report of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar; challenges facing the Government and relevant recommendations **(A/HRC/34/67)** Report of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar; Key human rights challenges facing the Government and recommendations on the step needed to address them **(A/72/382)**
Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the **Palestinian territories** occupied since 1967	Report of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the **Palestinian territories** occupied since 1967 **(A/HRC/34/70)** Report of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the **Palestinian territories** occupied since 1967 **(A/72/556)**
Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in **Somalia**	Report of the Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in **Somalia** **(A/HRC/33/84)**

Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in the **Sudan**	Report of the Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in the Sudan (**A/HRC/36/63**)
Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the **Syrian Arab Republic**	*The mandate holder will take up his functions once the mandate of the commission of inquiry has ended*

VIII. Joint statements issued by special procedures (2017)

Yanghee Lee, Chairperson of the Coordination Committee, presents the annual report of special procedures to the 34th Human Rights Council session, 15 March 2017.

Statement by the Coordination Committee of Special Procedures at the 27th Special Session of the Human Rights Council on the human rights situation of the minority Rohingya Muslim population and other minorities in the Rakhine State of Myanmar, 5 December 2017.

Statement of the Special Procedures on the occasion of Human Rights Day 2017: "The inseparability of peace, security, development and human rights", 10 December 2017.

IX. Follow-up activities undertaken by mandate holders (non-exhaustive list) (2017)

A. Follow-up on communications

In 2017, 164 follow-up communications were sent out of a total of 534 communications; constituting 31 % (see Annex VI). In addition, the following 5 mandate holders issued observations on communications:

Special Rapporteur on the situation of **human rights defenders**	Observations on communications transmitted to Governments and replies received (A/HRC/34/52/Add.1)
Special Rapporteur on the right to **freedom of assembly and of association**	Observations on communications transmitted to Governments and replies received (A/HRC/35/28/Add.3)
Special Rapporteur on **extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions**	Observations on communications transmitted to Governments and replies received (A/HRC/35/23/Add.2)
Special Rapporteur on **torture** and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment of punishment	Observations on communications transmitted to Governments and replies received (A/HRC/34/54/Add.3)
Working Group on **enforced or involuntary disappearances**	Observations on communications included in the post-sessional documents and annual reports of the Working Group (A/HRC/36/39, A/HRC/WGEID/111/1, and A/HRC/WGEID/112/1)

B. Follow-up country visits

4 mandate holders conducted in total 6 follow-up visits:

Special Rapporteur on the rights to freedom of **peaceful assembly and of association**	Report of the follow-up visit to the United States (A/HRC/35/28/Add.1).
Special Rapporteur on the rights of **indigenous peoples**	Country visit to the USA from 22 February to 3 March 2017 following up on the visit of the previous Special Rapporteur in 2012. The report was presented to the 36th session of the Human Rights Council in September 2017 (A/HRC/36/46/Add.1) Country visit to Australia from 20 March to 3 April 2017 following up on the visit of the previous Special Rapporteur in 2009. The report was presented to the 36th session of the Human Rights Council in September 2017 (A/HRC/36/46/Add.2)
Working Group on **arbitrary detention**	Country visit to Argentina from 4 to 15 December 2017 following up a visit of the Working Group in 2003. The report will be presented to the Human Rights Council in September 2018.
Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of **slavery**, including its causes and consequences	The Special Rapporteur conducted visits to Mauritania and the Niger in April and August 2017, respectively, in order to conduct workshops to assess the implementation of the mandate's previous recommendations (A/HRC/36/43).

C. Follow-up reports

3 mandates presented reports in which they followed-up on their recommendations made to States:

Working Group on **Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances**	Follow-up report on the implementation of recommendations made following past visits to Chile and Spain (A/HRC/36/39/Add.3).

Special Rapporteur on **torture** and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment	Follow-up report on Mexico (A/HRC34/54/Add.4)
Special Rapporteur on **minority issues**	In October 2016, the Special Rapporteur wrote to all States visited officially by her predecessor and herself to inquire about the implementation of the recommendations contained in the country visit reports. She prepared a short summary report on the basis of the responses received, which is available on the mandate's website. In addition her report to the GA (A/72/165) contains an overview of the main developments in the States concerned regarding the implementation of the recommendations. The full responses of the States are available on the website of the mandate holder.

X. External support received by mandate holders in 2017

Thematic mandates

Title	Mandate Holder	External support received through other sources[1]	Earmarked funding by donors received through OHCHR
Working Group of Experts on People of **African Descent**	Ms. Marie-Evelyne PETRUS (France)	No information received	
	Sabelo GUMEDZE (South Africa)	NO external support received	
	Michal BALCERZAK (Poland)	NO external support received	
	Ricardo SUNGA III (Philippines)	NO external support received	
	Ahmed REID (Jamaica)	No information received	
Independent Expert on the enjoyment of human rights of persons with **albinism**	Ikponwosa ERO (Nigeria)	YES external support received from several sources as below: 1. Support both in cash US$50,000 and in kind as Office space was received from 'Under the Same Sun'. 3. Open Society Foundation: a. US$150,000 multi-year. b. Lancaster University, UK: a. In Kind, one-off for research and admin support. b. Cash, one-off (project-specific) 4. Witchcraft and Human Rights Information Network a. In Kind, one-off admin support. b. Cash, one-off (project-specific) 5. Trinity Western University, Canada a. In Kind, Multi-year (Research and admin support). Cash, one-off (project-specific)	
Working Group on **Arbitrary Detention**	Elina STEINERTE (Latvia)	NO external support received	US$63,694.27from France US$50,000 from South Korea
	Sètondji Roland Jean-Baptiste ADJOVI (Benin)	YES, external support in kind received from Arcadia university as well	

[1] Based on information received from the relevant mandate holders

		as Université d'Aix-Marseille, Clinique Aix. Global Justice for research Assistants on a regular basis. Also US$5,000 was received from AACOA Association Atangana Contre l'Oppression et l'Arbitraire, for 2017-2018 towards research assistants and particular events.	
	Jose GUEVARA (Mexico)	NO external support received	
	Seong-Phil HONG (Republic of Korea)	NO external support received	
	Leigh TOOMEY (Australia)	NO external support received	
Working Group on the issue of human rights and transnational corporations and other **business** enterprises	Surya DEVA (India)	YES, external support received in kind from City University of HK Law School for office space and administrative assistance. Also one time assistance provided by Columbia Centre on Sustainable Investment (CCSI). Columbia University towards travel expenses of participants to a round table organized by CCSI and UNWG on Business in New York	US$ 63,047.77 from Norway US$70,839.13 from Sweden US$16,667 from Russian Federation for the Forum on Business and Human Rights
	Michael ADDO (Ghana)	YES external support in kind received from University of Notre Dame for office space and administrative support	
	Anita RAMASASTRY (United States of America)	NO external support received	
	Pavel SULYANDZIGA (Russian Federation)	No information received	
	Dante PESCE (Chile)	No information received	
Special Rapporteur in the field of **cultural rights**	Karima BENNOUNE (United States of America)	NO external support received	
Special Rapporteur on the right to **development**	Saad ALFARAGI (Egypt)	NO external support received	US$50,000 from Russian Federation US$25,000 from India US$99,985 from China
Special Rapporteur on the rights of persons with **disabilities**	Catalina DEVANDAS AGUILAR (Costa Rica)	YES external support received from the following:	US$223,964.17 from Finland US$25,000 from South Korea

		1. Government of Australia (DFAT) US$125,000 2. Anonymous donor US$175,000 for two years 3. Disability Rights Initiative, Open Society Foundations, US$75,000 4. National University of Ireland, Galway, in kind (equivalent to US$200,000) as 'support with 2 year research project on disability specific forms of deprivation of liberty'.	US$70,754.72 from Spain US$50,000 from Russian Federation
Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary **Disappearances**	Ariel DULITZKY (Argentina)	No information received	US$84,925.69 from France US$10,000 from Japan US$50,000 from South Korea
	Houria ES SLAMI (Morocco)	No information received	
	Bernard DUHAIME (Canada)	No information received	
	Tae-Ung BAIK (Republic of Korea)	No information received	
	Henrikas MICKEVICIUS (Lithuania)	No information received	
Special Rapporteur on the right to **education**	Koumbou BOLY (Burkina Faso)	NO external support received	US$50,000 from Russian Federation
Special Rapporteur on the issue of human rights obligations relating to the enjoyment of a safe, clean, healthy and sustainable **environment**	John KNOX (United States of America)	YES, external support 'in kind' was received from several sources as below 1. Raoul Wallenberg Institute for reproduction/designing of the report (37/59) into a user-friendly version 2. United Nations Environment Programme for printing 500 hard copies of report (37/59); and producing a child-friendly version of report (37/58)	
Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary **executions**	Agnes CALLAMARD (France)	YES, external support received from Global Policy Institute, Columbia University of US$25,000 as one time contribution for an expert meeting. Also one time in kind contribution received from Essex University to organize an expert meeting. In kind contribution received from Geneva Academy for	

		Human Rights and Humanitarian Law for an expert meeting. In kind contributions received from University of California, Berkeley Law School for research assistant.
Special Rapporteur on the right to **food**	Hilal ELVER (Turkey)	NO external support received
Independent Expert on the effects of **foreign debt** and other related international financial obligations of States on the full enjoyment of all human rights, particularly economic, social and cultural rights	Juan BOHOSLAVSKY (Argentina)	YES external support received in kind from Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung - FES to organize specific event.
Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of the right to **freedom of opinion and expression**	David KAYE (USA)	YES external support received in kind from University of California, Irvine, School of Law for office space and administrative support. Also received one time US$20,000 from MacArthur Foundation/IEEE for workshop on "fake news" at Wilton Park, United Kingdom, February 2017. Also received multi-year contribution from Ford Foundation for US$ 100,000 for Law School Clinic, which in turn supports activities of the mandate. Also received one time in kind support from Creative Artists Agency, provision of space and meals for one-day workshop on artistic freedom of expression in Los Angeles, California
Special Rapporteur on the rights to **freedom of peaceful assembly and of association**	Annalisa CIAMPI (Italy)	N/A
Special Rapporteur on the imp'ications for human rights of the environmentally sound management and disposal of **hazardous substances and wastes**	Baskut TUNCAK (Turkey)	NO external support received
Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the	Dainius PŪRAS (Lithuania)	YES. In addition to the support reported last year for a 2-year

highest attainable standard of physical and mental **health**		implementation period (between 2015 and 2017). in November 2017, the SR received external support in cash from Open Society Foundation US$100,000, for implementation in 2018, for research assistant and particular engagements with civil society.	
Special Rapporteur on adequate **housing** as a component of the right to an adequate standard of living	Leilani FARHA (Canada)	YES, external support received from Germany for €70,000 for general use on research and travel by the mandate in 2017- 2018. Separately, US$100,000 was received from Ford Foundation to the NGO that SR works for that provides her the release time to work in the mandate. Also €30,000 was received from Misereor for research and travel related to 'Informal settlements' research.	US$32,017.08 from Germany
Special Rapporteur on the situation of **human rights defenders**	Michel FORST (France)	YES, external support 'in kind' from French NHRI received for office space and administrative support. Also multi-year cash contributions received from Norway and EU for general use of the mandate.	
Special Rapporteur on the **independence of judges and lawyers**	Diego GARCIA-SAYAN (Peru)	NO external support received	US$25,000 from South Korea
Special Rapporteur on the rights of **indigenous peoples**	Victoria Lucia TAULI-CORPUZ (Philippines)	YES external support in cash received from the following 1. Ford Foundation US$150,000 for two years 2. The Christensen Fund for US$50,000 for general use by the mandate and provision of research assistants and administrative support.	
Special Rapporteur on the human rights of **internally displaced persons**	Cecilia JIMENEZ-DAMARY (Philippines)	YES, external support received from OFDA for US$45,000 as one-time contribution for travel expenses.	
Independent expert on the promotion of a democratic and	Alfred DE ZAYAS (United States of America)	NO external support received	

equitable **international order**			
Independent Expert on human rights and **international solidarity**	Obiora C. OKAFOR (Nigeria)	YES external support received from Osgoode Hall Law School, York University, Toronto, Canada for Canadian $25,000 towards Office space, administrative assistance and research assistants.	
Working Group on the use of **mercenaries** as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination	Anton KATZ (South Africa)	NO external support received	
	Patricia ARIAS (Chile)	NO external support received	
	Elzbieta KARSKA (Poland)	NO external support received	
	Gabor RONA (United States of America/Hungary)	NO external support received	
	Saeed MOKBIL (Yemen)	NO external support received	
Special Rapporteur on the human rights of **migrants**	Felipe González MORALES (Chile)	YES external support in kind received from UNIVERSIDAD DIEGO PORTALES (Chile) for research assistant on a regular basis	
Special Rapporteur on **minority issues**	Fernand de VARENNES (Canada)	NO external support received	US$50,000 from Russian Federation US$16,666 from Russian Federation for the Forum on Minorities US$55,991.04 from Austria for the Forum on Minorities
Independent Expert on the enjoyment of all human rights by **older persons**	Rosa KORNFELD-MATTE (Chile)	NO external support received	
Special Rapporteur on extreme **poverty** and human rights	Philip ALSTON (Australia)	YES external support in kind received from NYU Law School for a research assistant, office space and administrative support. Ford Foundation also contributed US$300,000 for general use by the mandate in 2017 – 2018.	
Special Rapporteur on the right to **privacy**	Joseph CANNATACI (Malta)	Yes, continuous external support received in kind from the University of Malta and the University of Groningen for general support to the mandate holder, including with research assistants, office space and administrative	US$32,017.08 from Germany

		support. Continuous in kind support also received from the European Commission for certain activities through funding of MAPPING project events (meetings) co-organized with Mandate and related research assistant time. A one-off support was also received from Microsoft who hosted one meeting in Paris in September 2017 offering premises and conference lunch/coffee breaks for a meeting co-organised with MAPPING project and largely comprised of civil society representatives.	
Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of **racism**, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance	E. Tendayi ACHIUME (Zambia)	Yes, external support received in kind from UCLA School Of Law for office space and research assistant as well as in cash for US$3000.	US$50,000 from Russian Federation
Special Rapporteur on freedom of **religion or belief**	Ahmed SHAHEED (Maldives)	YES external support in kind received as one off for research assistant and regularly from FORB Unit, Ralph Bunche Institute, City University of New York for a research assistant and office space.	
Special Rapporteur on the **sale and sexual exploitation of children**, including child prostitution, child pornography and other child sexual abuse material	Maud DE BOER-BUQUICCHIO (The Netherlands)	NO external support received	US$5,882.35 from Monaco US$25,000 from Korea
Independent Expert on protection against violence and discrimination based on **sexual orientation and gender identity**	Vitit MUNTARBHORN (Thailand)	N/A	
Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of **slavery**, including its causes and its consequences.	Urmila BHOOLA (South Africa)	NO external support received	US$ 48,409.39 from UK

Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering **terrorism**	Fionnuala Ni AOLAIN(United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland)	YES, Contribution of US$4,092.62 received from University of Minnesota Law School for research assistants on a regular basis.	US$50,000 from Russian Federation
Special Rapporteur on **torture** and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment	Nils MELZER (Switzerland)	YES, external support received from Association pour la prévention de la torture (APT) for CHF 50,000 for general use by the mandate	US$ 163, 924.19 from Norway US$25,000 from South Korea
Special Rapporteur on **trafficking in persons**, especially women and children	Maria Grazia GIAMMARINARO (Italy)	NO external support received	US$32,017.08 from Germany US$ 178,322 from Switzerland US$1,646.09 from Italy
Special Rapporteur on the promotion of **truth, justice, reparation & guarantees of non-recurrence**	Pablo DE GREIFF (Colombia)	No information received	US$32,017.08 from Germany US$50,000 from South Korea
Special Rapporteur on the negative impact of **unilateral coercive measures** on the enjoyment of human rights	Idriss JAZAIRY (Algeria)	NO external support received	US$50,000 from Russian Federation
Special Rapporteur on **violence against women**, its causes and consequences	Dubravka ŠIMONOVIC (Croatia)	YES external support received from LSE Center for Women Peace and Security, London in kind to organize an expert group meeting	US$50,000 from South Korea US$ 11,792.45 from Spain US$ 91,463.41 from Switzerland
Special Rapporteur on the human rights to safe drinking **water and sanitation**	Léo HELLER (Brazil)	YES external support received from Germany for €70,000 to support expert consultations.	US$32,017.08 from Germany US$ 70,754.72 from Spain
Working Group on the issue of **discrimination against women in law and in practice**	Elizabeth BRODERICK (Australia)	NO external support received	
	Meskerem TECHANE (Ethiopia)	No information received	
	Ivana RADACIC (Croatia)	No information received	
	Melissa UPRETI (Nepal)	No information received	
	Alda FACIO (Costa Rica)	NO external support received	

Country mandates

Title	Mandate Holder	External support received through other sources	Earmarked funding by donors received through OHCHR
Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in **Belarus**	Miklós HARASZTI (Hungary)	NO external support received	
Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in **Cambodia**	Rhona SMITH (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland)	YES, external support 'in kind' received from Newcastle University, UK for office space and administrative support	
Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in **Central African Republic**	Marie-Thérèse KEITA BOCOUM (Côte d'Ivoire)	No information received	
Independent Expert on capacity-building and technical cooperation with **Côte d'Ivoire** in the field of human rights	Mohammed AYAT (Morocco)	N/A due to termination of the mandate in 2017	
Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the **Democratic People's Republic of Korea**	Tomas Ojea QUINTANA (Argentina)	NO external support received	
Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in **Eritrea**	Sheila KEETHARUTH (Mauritius)	NO external support received	
Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in **Haiti**	Gustavo GALLÓN (Colombia)	N/A due to termination of the mandate in 2017	
Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in **the Islamic Republic of Iran**	Asma JAHANGIR (Pakistan),	No information received	
Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in **Mali**	Suliman BALDO (Sudan)	No information received	
Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in **Myanmar**	Yanghee LEE (Republic of Korea),	YES, external support in cash received from Sungkyunkwan University for provision for a research assistant, office spac and administrative support	
Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the **Palestinian territories occupied since 1967**	Stanley Michael LYNK (Canada)	No information received	
Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in **Somalia**	Bahame NYANDUGA (Tanzania)	No information received	

Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in the **Sudan**	Aristide NONONSI (Benin)	NO external support received	
Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the **Syrian Arab Republic**	Paulo Sérgio PINHEIRO (Brazil) - *will start once the mandate of the commission of inquiry ends*	***N/A***	***N/A***

XI. Special procedure mandate holders (as at 31 December 2017)

Thematic mandates

Mandate	Mandate holder	Email address
Working Group of experts on people of **African descent**	Ms. Marie-Evelyne Petrus (France) Mr. Ahmed Reid (Jamaica) Mr. Ricardo III Sunga (Philippines) Ms. Michal Balcerzak (Poland) Mr. Sabelo Gumedze (South Africa)*	africandescent@ohchr.org
Independent Expert on the enjoyment of human rights of persons with **albinism**	Ms. Ikponwosa Ero (Nigeria)	albinism@ohchr.org
Working Group on **Arbitrary Detention**	Mr. Seong-Phil Hong (Republic of Korea) Mr. Sètondji Roland Jean-Baptiste Adjovi (Benin) Ms. Leigh Toomey (Australia)* Mr. José Guevara (Mexico) Ms. Elina Steinerte (Latvia)	wgad@ohchr.org
Special Rapporteur in the field of **cultural rights**	Ms. Karina Bennoune (United States of America)	srculturalrights@ohchr.org
Special Rapporteur on the right to **development**	Mr. Saad Alfarargi (Egypt)*	srdevelopment@ohchr.org
Independent expert on the promotion of a **democratic and equitable international order**	Mr. Alfred de Zayas (United States of America)*	ie-internationalorder@ohchr.org
Working Group on the issue of **discrimination against women** in law and in practice	Ms. Elizabeth Broderick (Australia) Ms. Melissa Upreti (Nepal) Ms. Meskerem Techane (Ethiopia) Ms. Ivana Radacic (Croatia) Ms. Alda Facio (Costa Rica)*	Wgdiscriminationwomen@ohchr.org
Special Rapporteur on the rights of **persons with disabilities**	Ms. Catalina Devandas Aguilar (Costa Rica)*	sr.disability@ohchr.org
Working Group on **enforced or involuntary disappearances**	Mr. Henrikas Mickevicius (Lithuania) Mr. Bernard Duhaime (Canada) Mr. Luciano Hazan (Argentina) Mr. Tae-Ung Baik (Republic of Korea) Ms. Houria Es Slami (Morocco)*	wgeid@ohchr.org
Special Rapporteur on the right to **education**	Ms. Boly Barry Koumbou (Burkina Faso)	sreducation@ohchr.org
Special Rapporteur on the issue of human rights obligations relating to the enjoyment of a safe, clean, healthy and sustainable **environment**	Mr. John Knox (United States of America)*	ieenvironment@ohchr.org
Special Rapporteur on **extreme poverty** and human rights	Mr. Philip Alston (Australia)	srextremepoverty@ohchr.org
Special Rapporteur on the right to **food**	Ms. Hilal Elver (Turkey)*	srfood@ohchr.org

Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of the right to **freedom of opinion and expression**	Mr. David Kaye (United States of America)*	freedex@ohchr.org
Special Rapporteur on the rights to **freedom of peaceful assembly and of association**	*Mandate holder to be appointed at HRC 37th session*	freeassembly@ohchr.org
Special Rapporteur on **freedom of religion or belief**	Mr. Ahmed Shaheed (Maldives)	freedomofreligion@ohchr.org
Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental **health**	Mr. Dainius Pūras (Lithuania)*	srhealth@ohchr.org
Special Rapporteur on adequate **housing** as a component of the right to an adequate standard of living	Ms. Leilani Farha (Canada)*	srhousing@ohchr.org
Special Rapporteur on the situation of **human rights defenders**	Mr. Michel Forst (France)*	defenders@ohchr.org
Special Rapporteur on the independence of **judges and lawyers**	Mr. Diego Garcia-Sayan (Peru)*	srindependencejl@ohchr.org
Special Rapporteur on the rights of **indigenous peoples**	Ms. Victoria Lucia Tauli-Corpuz (Philippines)*	indigenous@ohchr.org
Special Rapporteur on the human rights of **internally displaced persons**	Ms. Cecilia Jimenez-Damary (Philippines)*	idp@ohchr.org
Special Rapporteur on the elimination of discrimination against persons affected by **leprosy** and their family members	Ms. Alice Cruz (Portugal)	srleprosy@ohchr.org
Working Group on the use of **mercenaries** as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination	Ms. Elzbieta Karska (Poland) Mr. Saeed Mokbil (Yemen) Ms. Patricia Arias (Chile) Mr. Anton Farrel Katz (South Africa) Mr. Gabor Rona (United States of America/Hungary)*	mercenaries@ohchr.org
Special Rapporteur on the human rights of **migrants**	Mr. Felipe González Morales (Chile)	migrants@ohchr.org
Special Rapporteur on **minority issues**	Mr. Fernand De Varennes (Canada)	minorityissues@ohchr.org
Independent Expert on the enjoyment of all human rights by **older persons**	Ms. Rosa Kornfeld-Matte (Chile)	olderpersons@ohchr.org
Special Rapporteur on the right to **privacy**	Mr. Joseph Cannataci (Malta)*	sprivacy@ohchr.org
Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of **racism**, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance	Ms. E. Tendayi Achiume (Zambia)	racism@ohchr.org
Special Rapporteur on the **sale and sexual exploitation of children**, including child prostitution, child pornography and other child sexual abuse material	Ms. Maud De Boer-Buquicchio (The Netherlands)*	srsaleofchildren@ohchr.org
Independent Expert on protection against violence and discrimination based on **sexual orientation and gender identity**	Mr. Victor Madrigal-Borloz (Costa Rica) *Effective 1 January 2018*	ie-sogi@ohchr.org

Special Rapporteur on **contemporary forms of slavery**, including its causes and its consequences	Ms. Urmila Bhoola (South Africa)*	srslavery@ohchr.org
Independent Expert on human rights and **international solidarity**	Mr. Obiora C. Okafor (Nigeria)	iesolidarity@ohchr.org
Special Rapporteur on **extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions**	Ms. Agnes Callamard (France)*	eje@ohchr.org
Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering **terrorism**	Ms. Fionnuala Ní Aoláin (Ireland)	srct@ohchr.org
Special Rapporteur on **torture** and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment	Mr. Nils Melzer (Switzerland)*	sr-torture@ohchr.org
Special Rapporteur on the implications for human rights of the environmentally sound management and disposal of **hazardous substances and wastes**	Mr. Baskut Tuncak (Turkey)*	srtoxicwaste@ohchr.org
Special Rapporteur on **trafficking in persons**, especially women and children	Ms. Maria Grazia Giammarinaro (Italy)*	srtrafficking@ohchr.org
Working Group on the issue of human rights and **transnational corporations and other business enterprises**	Mr. Michael K. Addo (Ghana)* Mr. Surya Deva (India) Ms. Anita Ramasastry (United States of America) Mr. Pavel Sulyandziga (Russian Federation) Mr. Dante Pesce (Chile)	wg-business@ohchr.org
Special Rapporteur on the promotion of **truth, justice, reparation & guarantees of non-recurrence**	Mr. Pablo de Greiff (Colombia)	srtruth@ohchr.org
Special Rapporteur on the negative impact of **unilateral coercive measures** on the enjoyment of human rights	Mr. Idriss Jazairy (Algeria)*	ucm@ohchr.org
Special Rapporteur on **violence against women**, its causes and consequences	Ms. Dubravka Šimonović (Croatia)*	vaw@ohchr.org
Independent Expert on the effects of **foreign debt** and other related international financial obligations of States on the full enjoyment of all human rights, particularly economic, social and cultural rights	Mr. Juan Bohoslavsky (Argentina)*	ieforeigndebt@ohchr.org
Special Rapporteur on the human rights to **safe drinking water and sanitation**	Mr. Léo Heller (Brazil)*	srwatsan@ohchr.org

Country mandates

Mandate	Mandate holder	Email address
Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in **Belarus**	Mr. Miklós Haraszti (Hungary)	sr-belarus@ohchr.org

Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in **Cambodia**	Ms. Rhona Smith (United Kingdom)*	srcambodia@ohchr.org
Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in **Central African Republic**	Ms. Marie-Thérèse Keita Bocoum (Côte d'Ivoire)*	ie-car@ohchr.org
Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the **Democratic People's Republic of Korea**	Mr. Tomas Ojea Quintana (Argentina)*	hr-dprk@ohchr.org
Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in **Eritrea**	Ms. Sheila B. Keetharuth (Mauritius)*	sr-eritrea@ohchr.org
Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the **Islamic Republic of Iran**	Ms. Asma Jahangir (Pakistan)*	sr-iran@ohchr.org
Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in **Mali**	Mr. Suliman Baldo (Sudan)*	ie-mali@ohchr.org
Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in **Myanmar**	Ms. Yanghee Lee (Republic of Korea)*	sr-myanmar@ohchr.org
Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the **Palestinian territories occupied since 1967**	Mr. Michael Lynk (Canada)*	sropt@ohchr.org
Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in **Somalia**	Mr. Bahame Tom Mukirya Nyanduga (Tanzania)*	ie-somalia@ohchr.org
Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in the **Sudan**	Mr. Aristide Nononsi (Benin)*	iesudan@ohchr.org
Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the **Syrian Arab Republic**	Mr. Pablo Sérgio Pinheiro (Brazil) - *will start once the mandate of the commission of inquiry ends*	srsyria@ohchr.org

* *Mandate holders who attended the twenty-fourth annual meeting. In addition, the following former mandate holders, who have since finished their terms in office, also attended the meeting: Mr. François Crépeau, former Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants; Ms. Virginia Dandan, former Independent Expert on human rights and international solidarity; Ms. Rita Izsák-Ndiaye, former Special Rapporteur on minority issues; and Mr. Vitit Muntarbhorn, former Independent Expert on protection against violence and discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity.*

XII. List of special procedures mandate holders to be appointed in 2018[1]

37th session of the Human Rights Council (26 February to 23 March 2018)

1. Independent Expert on the promotion of a democratic and equitable international order [HRC res. 36/4]
2. Special Rapporteur on the promotion of truth, justice, reparation and guarantees of non-recurrence [HRC res. 36/7]
3. Working Group on the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination, member from African States [HRC res. 33/4]
4. Working Group on the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination, member from Eastern European States [HRC res. 33/4]
5. Working Group on the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination, member from Latin American and Caribbean States [HRC res. 33/4]
6. Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in Mali [HRC res. 34/39]
7. Special Rapporteur on the rights to freedom of peaceful assembly and of association [HRC res. 32/32]

38th session of the Human Rights Council (18 June to 6 July 2018)

1. Working Group on the issue of human rights and transnational corporations and other business enterprises, members from African States and from Eastern European States [HRC res. 35/7]
2. Special Rapporteur on the issue of human rights obligations relating to the enjoyment of a safe, clean, healthy and sustainable environment [HRC res. 28/11]
3. Working Group on the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination, member from Western Europe and other States [HRC res. 33/4]
4. Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Iran [HRC res.34/23]

39th session of the Human Rights Council (10 to 28 September 2018)

1. Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Eritrea [HRC res. 35/35]
2. Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Belarus [HRC res. 35/27]

[1] The appointment of the above-mentioned mandate holders will take place in the understanding that the related mandates be extended by the Human Rights Council

XIII. List of sponsors of Human Rights Council resolutions establishing special procedure mandates

Thematic mandates

Single regional sponsors (30 thematic mandates)		
Regional Group	**Country**	**Mandate**
African Group	African Group	Working Group of Experts on people of **African Descent**
African Group	African Group	Independent Expert on the enjoyment of human rights of persons with **albinism**
African Group	African Group	Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of **racism**, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance
African Group	African Group	Special Rapporteur on the implications for human rights of the environmentally sound management and disposal of hazardous **substances and wastes**
GRULAC	Cuba	Special Rapporteur in the field of **cultural rights**
GRULAC	Cuba	Independent Expert on the promotion of a **democratic and equitable international order**
GRULAC	Mexico, Colombia	Working Group on the issue of **discrimination against women** in law and practice
GRULAC	Cuba	Special Rapporteur on the **right to food**
GRULAC	Cuba	Independent Expert on the effects of **foreign debt** and other related international financial obligations of States on the full enjoyment of all human rights, particularly economic, social and cultural rights
GRULAC	Brazil	Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental **health**
GRULAC	Mexico, Guatemala	Special Rapporteur on the rights of **indigenous peoples**
GRULAC	Cuba	Working Group on the use of **mercenaries** as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination
GRULAC	Mexico	Special Rapporteur on the human rights of **migrants**
GRULAC	Argentina, Brazil	Independent Expert on the enjoyment of all human rights by **older persons**
GRULAC	Cuba	Independent Expert on human rights and **international solidarity**
GRULAC	Mexico	Special Rapporteur on the protection and promotion of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering **terrorism**
GRULAC	Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Mexico, Uruguay	Independent Expert on protection against violence and discrimination based on **sexual orientation and gender identity**
WEOG	Germany, Finland	Special Rapporteur on **adequate housing** as a component of the right to an adequate standard of living
WEOG	France	Working Group on **Arbitrary Detention**

WEOG	Portugal	Special Rapporteur on the **right to education**
WEOG	Sweden	Special Rapporteur on **extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions**
WEOG	United States of America	Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of the right to **freedom of opinion and expression**
WEOG	Norway	Special Rapporteur on the situation of **human rights defenders**
WEOG	Austria	Special Rapporteur on the human rights of **internally displaced persons**
WEOG	Austria	Special Rapporteur on **minority issues**
WEOG	United Kingdom	Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of **slavery**, including its causes and consequences
WEOG	Denmark	Special Rapporteur on **torture** and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment
WEOG	Canada	Special Rapporteur on **violence against women**, its causes and consequences
WEOG	Spain, Germany	Special Rapporteur on the human rights to safe drinking **water and sanitation**
Asia-Pacific Group	Japan	Special Rapporteur on the elimination of discrimination against persons affected by **leprosy** and their family members

Cross regional sponsors (14 thematic mandates)

Regional Group	Country	Mandate
African Group, Asia-Pacific Group, EEG, GRULAC, WEOG	Maldives, Costa Rica, Slovenia, Switzerland, Morocco	Special Rapporteur on the issue of Human Rights obligations relating to the enjoyment of a safe, clean, healthy and sustainable **environment**
African Group, Asia-Pacific Group, EEG, GRULAC, WEOG	United States of America, Czech Republic, Indonesia, Lithuania, Maldives, Mexico, Nigeria	Special Rapporteur on the rights to **freedom of peaceful assembly and association**
African Group, Asia-Pacific Group, EEG, GRULAC, WEOG	France, Albania, Romania, Belgium, Peru, Chile, Philippines, Senegal, Morocco	Special Rapporteur on **extreme poverty** and human rights
African Group, Asia-Pacific Group, GRULAC, EEG, WEOG	Hungary, Australia, Botswana, Maldives, Mexico, Thailand	Special Rapporteur on the **independence of judges and lawyers**
African Group, Asia-Pacific Group, GRULAC, WEOG	France, Argentina, Japan, Morocco	Working Group on **Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances**
African Group, GRULAC, EEG, WEOG	Norway, Russian Federation, Ghana, Argentina and cross-regional group	Working Group on the issue of human rights and transnational corporations and other **business** enterprises

African Group, GRULAC, WEOG,	Argentina, Switzerland, Morocco	Special Rapporteur on the **promotion of truth**, justice, reparation and guarantees of non-recurrence
Asia-Pacific Group, WEOG	Germany, Philippines	Special Rapporteur on **trafficking in persons**, especially women and children
EEG, WEOG	European Union	Special Rapporteur on **freedom of religion or belief**
GRULAC, EEG, WEOG,	European Union, GRULAC	Special Rapporteur on the **sale and sexual exploitation of children**, including child prostitution, child pornography and other child sexual abuse material
GRULAC, WEOG	New Zealand, Mexico	Special Rapporteur on the human rights of persons with **disabilities**
GRULAC, WEOG	Brazil, Germany, Austria, Liechtenstein, Mexico, Norway, Switzerland	Special Rapporteur on the right to **privacy in the digital age**
African Group, Asia-Pacific Group, EEG and GRULAC	Non-Aligned Movement	Special Rapporteur on **unilateral coercive measures**
African Group, Asia-Pacific Group, GRULAC, EEG	Non Aligned Movement	Special Rapporteur on the **right to development**

Country mandates

Single regional sponsors (6 country mandates)

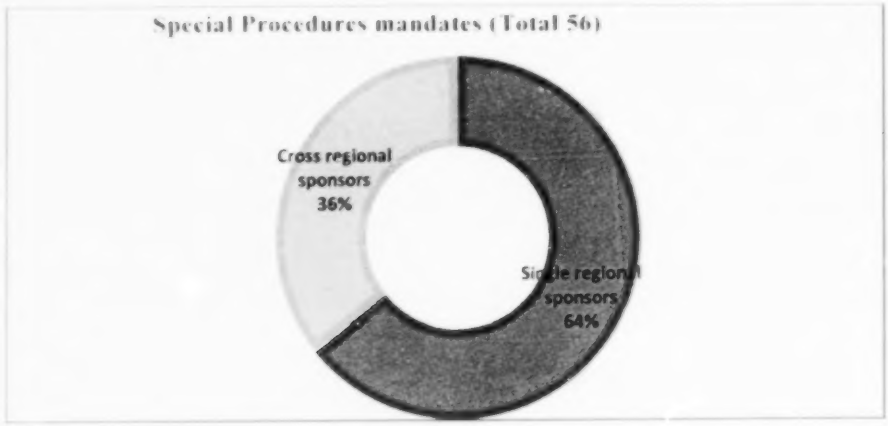
Regional Groups	Country	Mandate
African Group	Djibouti, Somalia, Nigeria	Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in **Eritrea**
African Group	African Group	Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in **Mali**
African Group	African Group	Independent Expert on the situation of Human Rights in **Sudan**
African Group	African Group	Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in **Central African Republic**
Asia-Pacific Group	Japan	Special Rapporteur on the situation of Human Rights in **Cambodia**
WEOG	Sweden	Special Rapporteur on the situation of Human Rights in the **Islamic Republic of Iran**

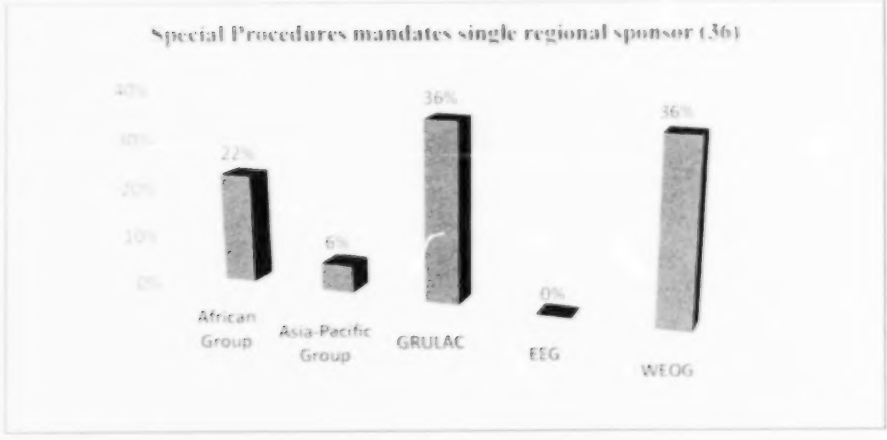
Cross regional sponsors (6 country mandates)

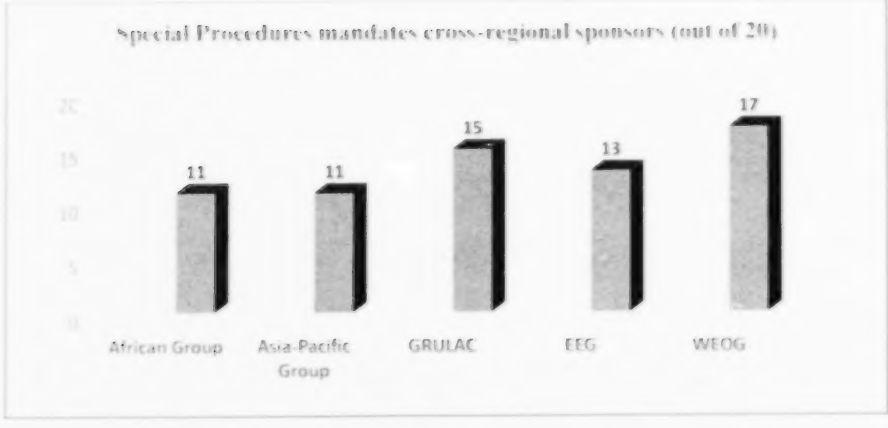
Regional Groups	Country	Mandate
African Group, Asia-Pacific Group, GRULAC, EEG, WEOG	Cross regional group	Independent Expert on the situation of Human Rights in **Somalia**

African Group, Asia-Pacific Group, GRULAC, WEOG	Cross regional group (WEOG and Organisation of Islamic Cooperation).	Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the **Syrian Arab Republic**
African Group, Asia-Pacific Group, GRULAC	Organisation of Islamic Cooperation, Arab Group.	Special Rapporteur on the situation of Human Rights in the **Palestinian territories** occupied since 1967
EEG, WEOG	European Union	Special Rapporteur on the situation of Human Rights in **Myanmar**
EEG, WEOG	European Union, Japan	Special Rapporteur on the situation of Human Rights in **Belarus**
EEG, WEOG	European Union	Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the **Democratic People's Republic of Korea**

Statistics on sponsors of Human Rights Council resolutions establishing special procedures mandates







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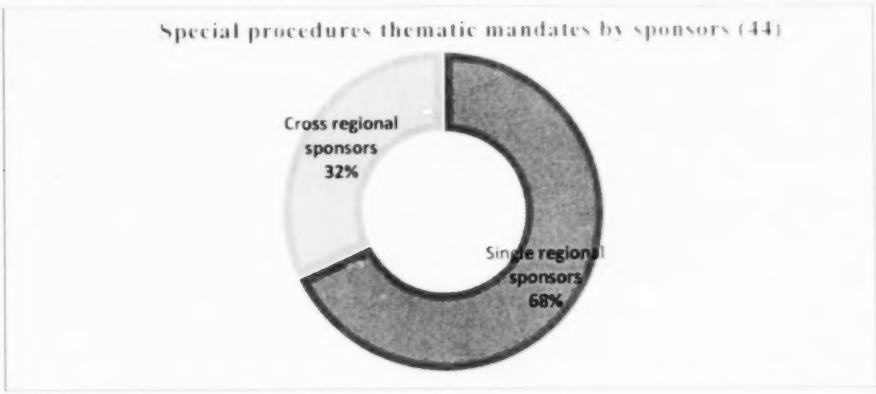

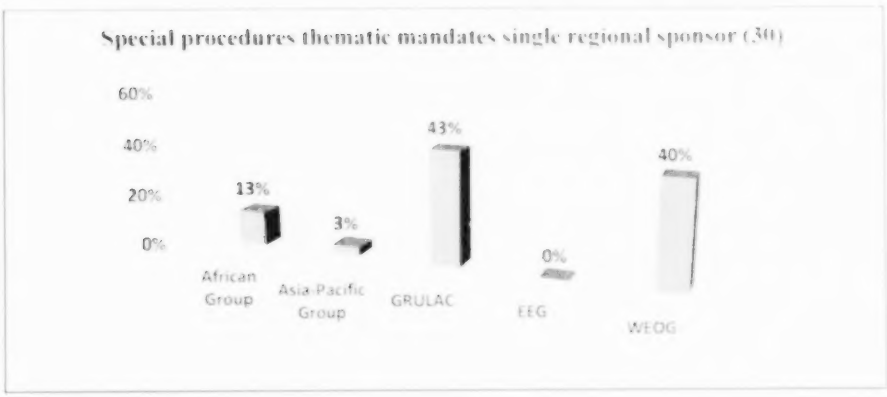

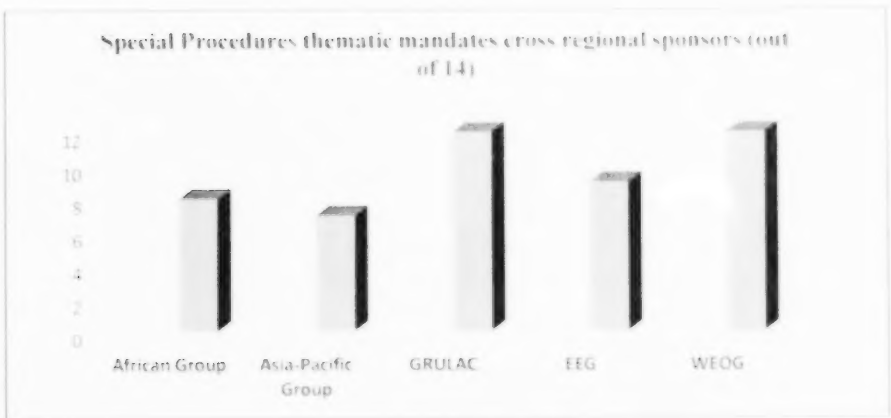

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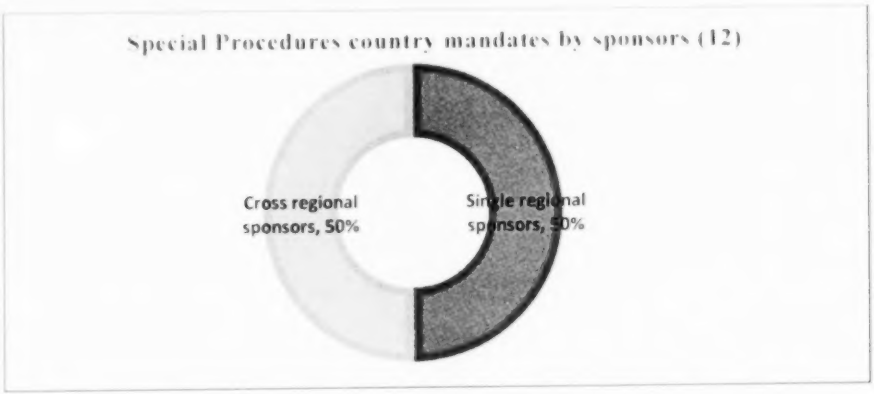

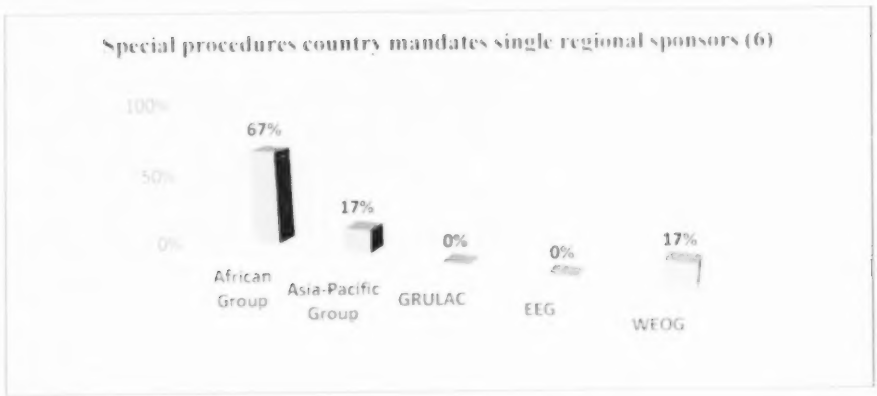

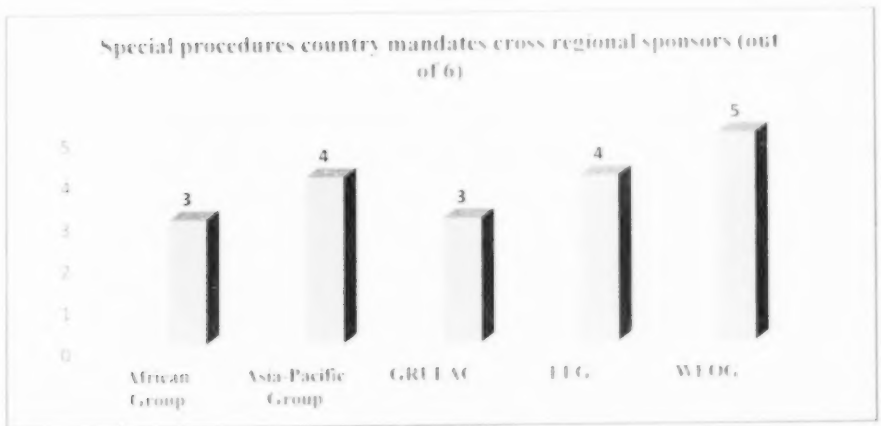

XIV Non-exhaustive list of forums, consultations, workshops, expert meetings and other events organized by mandate holders in 2017

Thematic mandates

Mandate	Description of events organized by mandate holders
Working Group of Experts on people of **African Descent**	During its 20th session the Working Group held a Consultation with Civil Society on 5 April. The objective of the consultation was to explore new and innovative ways for the Working Group to work with civil society organizations to strengthen its work. From 25 to 26 November, the Working Group organised in Geneva an expert meeting on "Addressing racial stereotypes of people of African descent".
Independent Expert on the enjoyment of human rights of persons with **albinism**	From 21 to 22 September, the Independent Expert organised an Expert Workshop on Witchcraft and Human Rights in Geneva (see report of the workshop in A/HRC37/57/Add.2). The Independent Expert has developed a Regional Action Plan on Albinism in Africa (2017–2021) to address attacks and related human rights violations against persons with albinism. The Plan was developed by the Independent Expert through consultations with representatives from the United Nations, the African Union, Governments, organizations of persons with albinism and other civil society organizations. In November, the Independent Expert convened a regional meeting in Pretoria with representatives from international organizations and civil society, including organizations of persons with albinism, to design an implementation strategy for the Plan.
Working Group on **Arbitrary Detention**	Nothing to report
Working Group on the issue of human rights and transnational corporations and other **business enterprises**	A joint meeting of the Working Group and OECD on public policies to promote responsible business conduct was held in Paris in June. The UN Forum on Business and Human Rights, the world's largest gathering on the topic of business and human rights, held its sixth session from 27 to 29 November in Geneva. With an unprecedented number of participants (over 2,500), the Forum allowed for a rich dialogue between governments, business, civil society, affected individuals and communities and international organizations on major human rights issues in the global economy. The central theme of the session was "Realizing Access to Effective Remedy". Over two plenary sessions and more that 60 "parallel" sessions organized in simultaneous tracks throughout the three days, the Forum addressed the critical issue of access to remedy by examining systemic flaws and shortcomings in existing efforts and reviewing emerging good practices and innovations, with a view to achieving greater coherence and committed action in the service of human rights and rights-holders. In addition, the Forum included a "developments and tools snapshots" track, where organizations wishing to highlight relevant work were able to sign up for brief presentations. The session was closed by the High Commissioner. From 12 to 14 December, the Working Group held the third regional consultation for Latin America and the Caribbean on the implementation of the United Nations Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights in the Framework of the 2030 Agenda on Sustainable Development". The meeting was held at the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean in Santiago de Chile with the support of OHCHR-ROSA.
Special Rapporteur in the field of **cultural rights**	The Special Rapporteur presented a report on the impact of diverse forms of fundamentalism and extremism on the enjoyment of cultural rights for all to the 34th session of the Human Rights Council, and a more specific report on their impact on the cultural rights of women at the 72nd session of the General Assembly. The report on the impact of fundamentalism on the cultural rights of women was also discussed at a

	number of side events and meetings as well as with the policy division of UN Women and in connection with attacks and intentional destruction of cultural heritage with UNESCO (November 2017). In this context, the Special Rapporteur held a side-event on "Facing up to the global avalanche of hate: the impact of fundamentalism and extremism on cultural rights" in Geneva on 3 March. The Special Rapporteur also held a side-event on "Time to take a stand: the impact of fundamentalism and extremism on the cultural rights of women", in New York on 26 October.
Special Rapporteur on the right to **development**	N/A
Special Rapporteur on the rights of persons with **disabilities**	During the year, the Special Rapporteur participated in numerous conferences and expert meetings, including the fifty-fifth session of the Commission for Social Development in New York in February, the fifth Pacific Regional Conference on Disability in Samoa, also in February, and the annual interactive debate on the rights of persons with disabilities at the Human Rights Council in March. She also co-organized expert consultations on disability assessment and on sexual and reproductive health and rights of girls and young women with disabilities jointly with other United Nations experts, agencies, international civil society organizations, organizations of persons with disabilities and academia. In June, she participated in the tenth session of the Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, and its parallel events. In July, she organized a meeting in Madrid with United Nations human rights experts to discuss the role of human rights mechanisms (treaty bodies and special procedures) to protect the rights of persons with disabilities and identify ways to enhance coherence and coordination in this area. In October, together with the Independent Expert on the enjoyment of all human rights by older persons, she convened international experts from the ageing and disability constituencies to discuss the situation of older persons with disabilities, particularly as it relates to their autonomy and independence. On 4 December, to mark the International Day of Persons with Disabilities, the Special Rapporteur together with other United Nations agencies, Member States and disability advocacy organizations organized several awareness-raising activities under the campaign to embrace diversity called "A Day for All". In December, she also took part in the celebrations of the twentieth anniversary of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on Their Destruction held in Vienna.
Working Group on **Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances**	On 5 February, in cooperation with the Government of Belgium and the OHCHR Regional Office for Europe, the Working Group held a discussion on "Enforced disappearance in the 21st century: nature, challenges and measures to combat it", on the margins of its 114th session on enforced disappearance and non-State actors. On 17 February, the Vice-Chair participated in a high-level panel of the General Assembly on the occasion of the tenth anniversary of the adoption of the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance.
Special Rapporteur on the right to **education**	From 17 to 19 January the Special Rapporteur attended the International Symposium on School Violence and Bullying: From Evidence to Action co-organised by UNESCO and the Institute of School Violence Prevention at Ewha Womans University in Seoul, South Korea. This symposium collected education ministries, international experts, international organizations and civil society to promote evidence-based action among education policy makers to deliver safe and non-violent learning environments. From 13 to 14 March the Rapporteur attended the Europe and North America Regional Consultation on the Human Rights Guiding Principles on State obligations regarding private schools, hosted by Open Society Foundations Education Support Program, the

	Global Initiative for Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, and the Right to Education Project. The consultation engaged with States, civil society, human rights organisations and experts on developing human rights guiding principles on State obligations with regard to the provision of education, including private schools. From 4 to 6 April the Special Rapporteur attended in Sao Paolo, Brazil the release of the study on the Impacts of Strategic Litigation on Equal Access to Quality Education in Brazil, India and South Africa, prepared by the Open Society Foundation. This report reviewed the impact of strategic litigation on strengthening the right to education in 11 countries.
Special Rapporteur on the issue of human rights obligations relating to the enjoyment of a safe, clean, healthy and sustainable **environment**	On 4 March, the Special Rapporteur organised a side-event on "Environmental Human Rights Defenders: Responding to a Global Crisis" in Geneva with other stakeholders. On 9 March, the Special Rapporteur organised a side-event on the interdependence of human rights and biodiversity in Geneva together with other stakeholders. On the same day he also organised a discussion of the Geneva Environment Network meeting on biodiversity and human rights. The Special Rapporteur worked on developing guidance on good practices on the issue of human rights and the environment. In preparation of the guidelines, he organized expert consultation and public consultation in October, and solicited written submissions aimed at incorporating views of wide range of stakeholders. The guidelines will be presented at the 37th session of the Council in March 2018. The Special Rapporteur has organized jointly with OHCHR and UNEP a webinar in October aimed at raising awareness on EHRDs among UN agencies. We collaborated with other UN agencies such as the UNECE, ECLAC as well as UNDP to raise awareness about important activities of EHRDs in the protection of human rights and the environment via public statement and by participating in meetings.
Special Rapporteur on **extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions**	In May, the Special Rapporteur participated in a policy forum on "Drug Issues, Different Perspectives in Manila.
Special Rapporteur on the right to **food**	In January, the Special Rapporteur participated in the meeting of the Committee of Food Security. The Special Rapporteur participated in a public conference on the rights of peasants in the context of the UN process towards adopting a Declaration on the rights of peasants and other people working in rural areas in November in Romania.
Independent Expert on the effects of **foreign debt** and other related international financial obligations of States on the full enjoyment of all human rights, particularly economic, social and cultural rights	On 3 March, the Independent Expert participated on a side event on labour rights in the context of structural adjustment and austerity policy in Geneva. On 9 November, the Independent Expert organised an expert workshop in Geneva on Guiding Principles for human rights impact assessments for economic reform policies. This workshop convened experts from the human rights and development fields to discuss the Independent Expert's project to develop guiding principles on human rights impacts assessments for economic reform policies with a view of informing his thematic report to be presented to the Human Rights Council.
Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of the right to **freedom of opinion and expression**	On 28 February and 1 March, the Special Rapporteur organized regional consultations in Beirut, with participants from the Middle East and North Africa, on threats to civic space and freedom of expression online. On 10 June, the Special Rapporteur participated on the Human Dimension Committee at the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) in Vienna. The Special Rapporteur presented his view on his mandate and his coming report on encryption and anonymity to the States participating to the Human Dimension Committee at the OSCE.

	He also used his visit to Vienna to meet with the Special Representative of the OSCE on freedom of the media and the International Press Institute. On 11 June, the Special Rapporteur, together with the International Press Institute and with the support from the Austrian Ministry for European integration and Foreign Affairs convened in Vienna a meeting of 20 experts from all regions to support the preparation of the next report of the Special Rapporteur to the UN General Assembly which will focus on the protection of sources and whistleblowers. On 16 June, the Special Rapporteur organised a consultation on access to information in international organizations in which he presented his preliminary conclusions from the study on "exploring the scope of the right of access to information within international organizations, including those within the United Nations system."
Special Rapporteur on the rights to **freedom of peaceful assembly and of association**	The Special Rapporteur convened three consultations with civil society actors where issues related to the rights of freedom of assembly and association were discussed with a view to identify ways to address challenges and obstacles to the realization of these rights.
Special Rapporteur on the implications for human rights of the environmentally sound management and disposal of **hazardous substances and wastes**	The Special Rapporteur on toxic wastes mandate has particularly focused on the protection of the rights to workers from toxics and will report on the issue to the HRC in 2018. He organized two expert consultations (one in May and the other in September 2017) on the issue, with the support of FES where principles for aligning the protection of workers from toxics were discussed. The meetings gathered experts from public health, labour and human rights sectors in Geneva.
Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental **health**	In May, the Special Rapporteur organised an expert consultation on corruption and the rights to health in Bangkok to feed his next report to the General Assembly.
Special Rapporteur on adequate **housing** as a component of the right to an adequate standard of living	The SR reported on right to housing of persons with disabilities to the GA (A/72/128), and on financialization of housing to the Human Rights Council (A/HRC/34/51). She organized several events on this topic, video messages, webinars, press releases, social media, and participated in the Forum on Business and Human Rights in follow up & dissemination of the report. The Special Rapporteur has launched an international campaign on the right to housing. This is the "make the Shift" initiative, launched in October 2016 in Quito, in the context of Habitat III, with UCLG & OHCHR. There have been two events in 2017 around this initiative: June, Ottawa, a strategic meeting with some members; and in early November in Barcelona, a launch organized by UCLG. The Special Rapporteur participated on the 79th session of the UNECE, Committee on Housing and Land Management in November.
Special Rapporteur on the situation of **human rights defenders**	In 2017, the Special Rapporteur held various consultations with a wide range of stakeholders, including States, national human rights institutions, international experts, human rights defenders and people on the move to feed in next report to the Council on human rights defenders on the rights of people on the move. The Special Rapporteur conducted a multilingual global survey in November and December seeking input from all stakeholders. In November, the Special Rapporteur hosted a meeting at the University of York attended by more than two dozen human rights defenders and international experts with experiences and expertise from around the world. The Special Rapporteur held various meetings, academic events and conferences to disseminate the findings of his report on the situation of human rights defenders working in the sphere of business and human rights, which was presented to the United Nations General Assembly in October.
Special Rapporteur on the independence of **judges and lawyers**	On 16 March, the Special Rapporteur organized an informal consultation with civil society representatives, including associations of legal professionals and State representatives, to explain his work strategy for the future and to take note of their observations and suggestions for possible future activities under his mandate.

	On the same day, in the context of the thirty-fourth session of the Human Rights Council, the Special Rapporteur took part in a side event entitled "Lawyers at risk", organized by the Law Society of England and Wales, together with Lawyers for Lawyers. On 12 June, the Special Rapporteur took part as a panellist in the public event "Independence of the Judiciary: Why Parliaments should care", which took place at the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies in Geneva. This event was organized by the International Development Law Organization and the Inter-Parliamentary Union, with support from the Governments of Italy, Japan, Mexico and the United Kingdom. On 12 July, the Special Rapporteur took part in a debate and analysis concerning the independence of judges and lawyers in Turkey, organized by the American Bar Association, contributing his ideas on current international standards in that area.
Special Rapporteur on the rights of **indigenous peoples**	With a view to improving the effectiveness of and coordination between the existing bodies within the United Nations system with specific mandates on the rights of indigenous peoples, the Special Rapporteur participated in the annual meetings of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues and the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. On 8 and 9 June, The Special Rapporteur organised a workshop jointly with the Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples of the Inter-American Commission and the regional office of OHCHR for South America on human rights on the international norms on the human rights of the indigenous peoples living in voluntary isolation and initial contact in the Amazonia and Gran Chaco: review and proposals for action (A/HRC/39/17/Add.1). The Special Rapporteur participated in the annual panel discussion of the Human Rights Council on the rights of indigenous peoples on 20 September.
Special Rapporteur on the human rights of **internally displaced persons**	Since taking up her duties on 1 November 2016, the Special Rapporteur has undertaken a series of bilateral consultations with key stakeholders in order to shape her strategic priorities. This process of consultation culminated on 25 January 2017 with a stakeholder meeting in Geneva for the Special Rapporteur to present and receive feedback on her initial strategic priorities and on the main thematic priorities for her work over the next three years. She convened an expert discussion on ensuring the participation of internally displaced persons in order to further reflect on the issues and challenges, obtain the views of key United Nations and international non-governmental organization partners and consider positive practices that have been implemented. Following the event, on 21 February, the Special Rapporteur presented her strategic and thematic priorities to a broader, online audience of close to 300 persons worldwide through a web course hosted by Professionals in Humanitarian Action and Protection. The Special Rapporteur attended the first meeting of the Conference of States Parties of the Kampala Convention in Harare from 3 to 5 April.
Independent expert on the promotion of a democratic and equitable **international order**	Nothing to report.
Independent Expert on human rights and **international solidarity**	Nothing to report
Special Rapporteur on the elimination of discrimination against persons affected by **leprosy** and their family members	Nothing to report

Working Group on the use of **mercenaries** as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination	On 27 April, the Working Group convened a panel on "Private security companies in places of deprivation of liberty, and their impact on human rights" in Geneva. The Working Group held an expert consultation on "Private military and security companies in extractive industries – impact on human rights" on 20 July in New York.
Special Rapporteur on the human rights of **migrants**	On 31 March, the Special Rapporteur organized a consultation in Geneva with civil society organizations and United Nations agencies to review the outcome of the high-level plenary meeting on addressing large movements of refugees and migrants and discuss ways to engage with the two-year process that will result in the adoption of a global compact for safe, orderly and regular migration in 2018. On 8 and 9 May, the Special Rapporteur was invited to the first thematic informal consultation of the global compact on migration on the theme "Human rights of all migrants, social inclusion, cohesion, and all forms of discrimination, including racism, xenophobia and intolerance" as the thematic expert. On 19 and 20 June, he also participated in the third consultation on the theme "International cooperation and governance of migration in all its dimensions including at borders, on transit, entry, return, readmission, integration and reintegration". The Special Rapporteur made a statement at the Regional Global Compact Migration Conference in Chile in August.
Special Rapporteur on **minority issues**	The 10th session of UN Forum on Minority Issues took place on 30 November and 1 December in Geneva, with a special focus on the role of young people from minorities in promoting inclusive and diverse societies. Now in its 10th year, the Forum, which was this time chaired by Tarik Kurdi, attracted more than 400 participants. Many young men and women from minority communities participated for the first time at a UN event and young delegates represented their governments. A total of 12 young minority activists from over the world introduced each 4 panel discussion respectively on education, participation to public life, digital media and peace and stability. As 2017 marks the 25th anniversary of the UN Declaration for the protection of persons belonging to minorities, it was also a key moment to reflect on how the Declaration can also guide governments in their actions. The Forum is guided by Fernand de Varennes, the UN Special Rapporteur on minority issues.
Independent Expert on the enjoyment of all human rights by **older persons**	The Independent Expert contributed to the side event on the occasion of the World Elder Abuse Awareness Day on 15 June, entitled "Violence against older persons, a human rights issue", co-organized by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights and the Group of Friends of the Human Rights of Older Persons, and the Permanent Missions of Argentina, Austria, Brazil, El Salvador, Israel, Montenegro, Namibia, Portugal, Slovenia and Uruguay to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva. The United Nations Population Fund, the World Health Organization, the Geneva NGO Committee on Ageing and the Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions also supported this event. In July, the Independent Expert participated in the 8th session of the Open-Ended Working Group on ageing in New York.
Special Rapporteur on **extreme poverty** and human rights	In June the Special Rapporteur organised a side-event on universal basic income with ATD Fourth World. In June the Special Rapporteur has also organised a side event on the role of participation by civil society in the promotion of ESCRs with the International Service for Human Rights and the Global Initiative for ESRs.
Special Rapporteur on the right to **privacy**	The Special Rapporteur hosted three regional conferences aimed at fostering a common understanding of the right to privacy: the first was held in the US in July 2016; the second in the Middle East and North African region in Tunis on 25-26 May 2017, and the third in Hong Kong, China, on 29-30 September 2017. These events had a strong

	regional focus and were attended by experts and activists from numerous countries in the respective regions, who contributed to the development of a comprehensive understanding of the right to privacy in the digital age worldwide.
Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of **racism**, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance	In May, the Special Rapporteur participated as a panelist in the first thematic informal consultation of the global compact on migration with view to ensuring that that non-discrimination and the human rights of all migrants are firmly integrated. The Special Rapporteur contributed to the debate on racial profiling and incitement to hatred in the context of migration, including by participating as a panelist in commemorative meetings held at the General Assembly and the Human Rights Council in the context of the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination.
Special Rapporteur on freedom of **religion or belief**	The Special Rapporteur participated the initiative on "Faith for Rights" (PDF) with an expert workshop in Beirut in March. This initiative provides space for a cross-disciplinary reflection on the deep, and mutually enriching, connections between religions and human rights. The objective is to foster the development of peaceful societies, which uphold human dignity and equality for all and where diversity is not just tolerated but fully respected and celebrated. From 6 to 7 December, the Special Rapporteur also participated in the Rabat+5 symposium, which was held on the occasion of the fifth anniversary of the Rabat Plan of Action on the prohibition of advocacy of national, racial or religious hatred that constitutes incitement to discrimination, hostility or violence. The Symposium offered an opportunity for the various stakeholders to engage with several experts who had contributed to the elaboration of the Rabat Plan of Action and the 18 commitments on "Faith for Rights" and to hear experiences in the area of combating violence in the name of religion, both by State representatives, national human rights institutions and civil society.
Special Rapporteur on the **sale and sexual exploitation of children**, including child prostitution, child pornography and other child sexual abuse material	From 1 to 3 February, the Special Rapporteur participated in a strategic workshop held in Wilton Park (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland) to begin operationalizing Alliance 8.7, a global partnership launched in New York on 21 September 2016 to eradicate forced labour, modern slavery, human trafficking and child labour, in compliance with target 8.7 of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (General Assembly resolution 70/1). On 8 March, in the framework of the 34th session of the UN Human Rights Council, the Special Rapporteur on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography organized a side event, with the support of the European Union and the Permanent Mission of Uruguay, on tackling illegal adoptions and addressing the rights of victims. The side event was organized in the context of the presentation of the thematic report of the Special Rapporteur (A/HRC/34/55) to the Human Rights Council. On 4 October, the Special Rapporteur chaired a session on child sexual abuse online at the World Congress on Child Dignity in the Digital World, organized by the Centre for Child Protection of the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome. On 11 October, she participated in a panel discussion on preventing violence against children and helping to focus efforts and track progress on the implementation of target 16.2 of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, which was organized by the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), and by the Delegation of the European Union to the United Nations and the Permanent Mission of Uruguay to the United Nations, in New York.
Independent Expert on protection against violence and discrimination based on **sexual orientation and gender identity**	In January the Independent Expert convened a public consultation gathering States, UN agencies, regional organizations, civil society organizations and activists, medical professionals, academic institutions, religious communities and other stakeholders. The consultation was extremely well attended, with around 200 stakeholders attending each of the meeting during the two-day consultation.
Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of	During 2017, the Special Rapporteur has engaged with Alliance 8.7, a multi-stakeholder coalition committed to accelerating and intensifying action to achieve target 8.7 of the

slavery, including its causes and its consequences	Sustainable Development Goals, attending both the high-level launch, held in New York in September 2016, and a consultation on child labour and forced labour, held in Addis Ababa in June 2017.
Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while **countering terrorism**	Nothing to report
Special Rapporteur on **torture** and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment	Throughout 2017, the Special Rapporteur participated in a number of thematic consultations, workshops and events on torture in the context of migration, disability-specific forms of deprivation of liberty, extra-custodial use of force and on procedural safeguards to prevent torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment. From 28 to 30 August and from 4 to 6 September, the Special Rapporteur held expert consultations on the topic of migration-related torture and ill-treatment in Geneva and Mexico City, with the support of the Association for the Prevention of Torture and the Ibero-American University. The initiative to develop a universal protocol for non-coercive interrogation process was launched in Geneva in October under the auspices of the Association for the Prevention of Torture (APT). The initiative is led by the APT and the former special rapporteur on torture, with the support and participation of the current mandate holder. The October 2016 inaugural meeting was followed in October 2017 by a consultation involving several states, in addition to international experts.
Special Rapporteur on **trafficking in persons**, especially women and children	From 1 to 3 February, the Special Rapporteur participated in a strategic workshop held in Wilton Park (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland) to begin operationalizing Alliance 8.7, a global partnership launched in New York on 21 September 2016 to eradicate forced labour, modern slavery, human trafficking and child labour, in compliance with target 8.7 of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (General Assembly resolution 70/1). In July, the Special Rapporteur was a panellist at an event on the identification and referral of trafficked persons from among international protection seekers, organized by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) and the Italian Ministry of Interior, in Rome.
Special Rapporteur on the promotion of **truth**, justice, reparation & guarantees of non-recurrence	With a view to the elaboration of the joint study by the Special Rapporteur on the promotion of truth, justice, reparation and guarantees of non-recurrence with the SG's Adviser on the Prevention of Genocide, two expert meetings were held in 2017 (Geneva and New York), which focused on the preventive aspects of a number of issues, including security sector reform, history education, constitutional reform and strengthening of civil society. The Joint Study will be presented to the Human Rights Council in March 2018.
Special Rapporteur on the negative impact of **unilateral coercive measures** on the enjoyment of human rights	The Special Rapporteur held a workshop on 3 June which brought together 8 leading experts on sanctions to develop a draft global registry of UCMs, as well as a draft declaration on UCMs. These ideas were then presented in his report to the 36th Session of the Human Rights Council. At the same session, on the 14th of September the Biennial panel discussion on unilateral coercive measures and human rights was held to increase awareness of the negative impact of UCMs on human rights.
Special Rapporteur on **violence against women**, its causes and consequences	On 13 March, the Special Rapporteur participated in the sixty-first session of the Commission on the Status of Women and presented an oral report outlining the current priorities of the mandate. In June, the Special Rapporteur participated in the Human Rights Council annual day of discussion on the human rights of women, addressing the panel on "Accelerating efforts to eliminate violence against women: engaging men and boys in preventing and responding to violence against women and girls". Furthermore, the mandate holder

	organized a side event to further discuss the findings of her thematic report on shelters and protection orders and took part in various other side events. On 10 July, in Brussels, the mandate holder took part in the kick-off conference of the European Union/UN-Women regional programme on violence against women.
Special Rapporteur on the human rights to safe drinking **water and sanitation**	On 23 and 24 May, the Special Rapporteur convened an expert consultation on service regulation of water and sanitation in Rio de Janiero, Brazil. 12 experts (including 3 female participants) attended. The experts provided their expertise on issues relating to role of regulation in water and sanitation services and how different regulatory models relates to the human rights to water and sanitation.
Working Group on the issue of **discrimination against women** in law and in practice	In January, during its eighteenth session, the Working Group completed its work on the compendium of good practices. It chaired a round-table discussion on women migrant workers, organized by the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women), with the participation of members from the Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families, as well as State and civil society representatives. A member of the Working Group attended the sixty-first session of the Commission on the Status of Women, held in New York from 13 to 17 March. She participated, inter alia, in a high-level interactive dialogue on accelerating the implementation of commitments contained in the agreed conclusions for gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls, in an event on strengthened cooperation between the international and regional human rights mechanisms on women's rights and participated in several consultations.

Country mandates

Mandate	Description of events organized by mandate holders
Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in **Belarus**	The Special Rapporteur participated in the annual session of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE), which took place from 5 to 7 July 2017 in Minsk and attended a seminar on the situation of human rights in Belarus. In this context, he attended a parallel civil society forum on the reception of the OSCE report of 2011 on the Moscow Mechanism on Human Dimension.
Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in **Cambodia**	Nothing to report.
Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in **Central African Republic**	Nothing to report.
Independent Expert on capacity-building and technical cooperation with **Côte d'Ivoire** in the field of human rights	Nothing to report.
Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the **Democratic People's Republic of Korea**	During his missions to Cambodia in May, the Special Rapporteur took part in a regional civil society dialogue on human rights in the context of humanitarian aid and peacebuilding initiatives with the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.
Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in **Eritrea**	In March, the Special Rapporteur briefed the European Network of contact points in respect of persons responsible for genocide and crimes against humanity about the findings and recommendations of the Commission of Inquiry. The Special Rapporteur attended the 60th Ordinary Session of the African Commission

	on Human and Peoples' Rights (African Commission) and the preceding Forum on the participation of NGOs in the 60th Ordinary Session of the African Commission in Niamey, Niger in May. During the NGO Forum, the Special Rapporteur participated in a panel on justice and human rights in the context of threats to peace and security in Africa, as well as in a side-event on accountability for grave human rights violations in Eritrea that explored the role which regional mechanisms might play in this regard. In May, the Special Rapporteur was hosted by the Department of Politics and International Relations at the University of Johannesburg, South Africa for an event on the human rights situation in Eritrea.
Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in **Haiti**	Nothing to report
Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the **Islamic Republic of Iran**	Nothing to report
Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in **Mali**	Nothing to report
Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in **Myanmar**	Nothing to report
Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the **Palestinian territories** occupied since 1967	Nothing to report
Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in **Somalia**	In May, in the context of his mission to the country, the Independent Expert wished to conduct consultations with the Federal Government and other stakeholders on a proposed initiative on responses in the justice system when addressing the rights of women, particularly the role of the traditional justice system, xeer, in combating sexual and gender-based violence. The consultations were conducted as a follow-up to those held in Geneva and Nairobi in March 2017. In May 2016 and March 2017, the Independent Expert held extensive consultations with the authorities of the Federal Government and federal member states, international agencies and civil society partners in Baidoa, Geneva, Kismayo, Mogadishu and Nairobi and on the need for such a conference.
Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in the **Sudan**	Nothing to report
Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the **Syrian Arab Republic**	N/A